

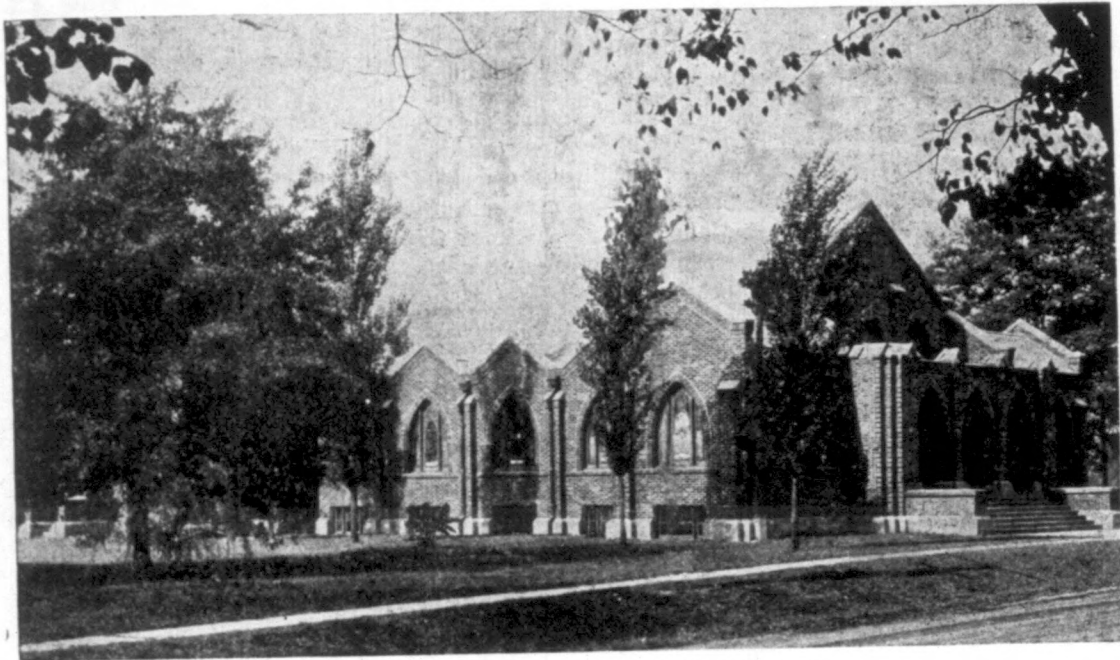
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1861! The whole nation in a hubbub over states' right and slavery! Southern States seceding and a Confederate Government set up at Montgomery, Alabama! The guns of Fort Sumpter soon to echo over the land!

In the midst of the up-roar and in the very shadow of the war clouds, nine persons in Crystal Springs, Mississippi, turned their thoughts to that more peaceful and more secure world of the spirit and gathered in solemn assembly for the organization of a Baptist church, January 20, 1861. They were:

Jas. A. Sturgis, Joel Davis, E. G. Linder, Joel F. Evans, Jas. A. Tillman, Mrs. Sarah E. Sturgis, Mrs. Mary Gillespie, Mrs. Mary F. Mayfield.

Next year, with the Flag of the Secession, the Stars and Bars, and the Southern Cross flaunting defiantly in the southern breezes; with Fort Henry and Fort Donelson gone and with them much Southern supplies and many "Boys In Grey"; with the Cumberland and Tennessee Rivers open and Union soldiers pushing down them; with Columbus, Mississippi, in the hands of the Federals; with ragged, hungry soldiers rushing to Corinth, Mississippi, to make a new line of defense; with New Orleans fallen and the Mississippi River up to Vicksburg in the power of the Unionists; and with other Southern ports blockaded by Northern ships, thus stopping the export of "King Cotton"—Mississippi's main source of supply; and with the emancipation of the slaves having wiped away one-fourth of their capital, these brave souls in Crystal Springs had the courage to erect a two-story wooden church. Rev. L. B. Hollaway seems to have been the valiant pastor who led in the stupendous undertaking.

In the upper story of this building, the Masonic Order was allowed to conduct its meetings.

By 1883, the congregation was stronger both numerically and financially; and it thus achieved its ambition of a brick church with a steeple that towered skyward. The pastor at this time was Rev. A. J. Miller, brother of Judge D. M.

Miller of Hazlehurst. An aged man by the name of Copley who now lives in Rainer is said to have been the contractor who tore down the old frame building and used some of its lumber in the interior of the brick building which he erected.

In more modern times there came the pastorate of Rev. W. E. Ellis who, unfortunately was stricken with tuberculosis of the throat and lost his voice. His sympathetic congregation sent him to the far West and paid his expenses for a year.

By the day of J. W. Dickens, in 1908, there was talk of another church building but it remained for his successor, W. L. Howse, to lead in the actual construction of the present commodious structure in 1915. Its interior is strikingly beautiful and the exterior, decorated by lombard poplars and tasteful shrubbery is a pleasing picture that remains long in the mind.

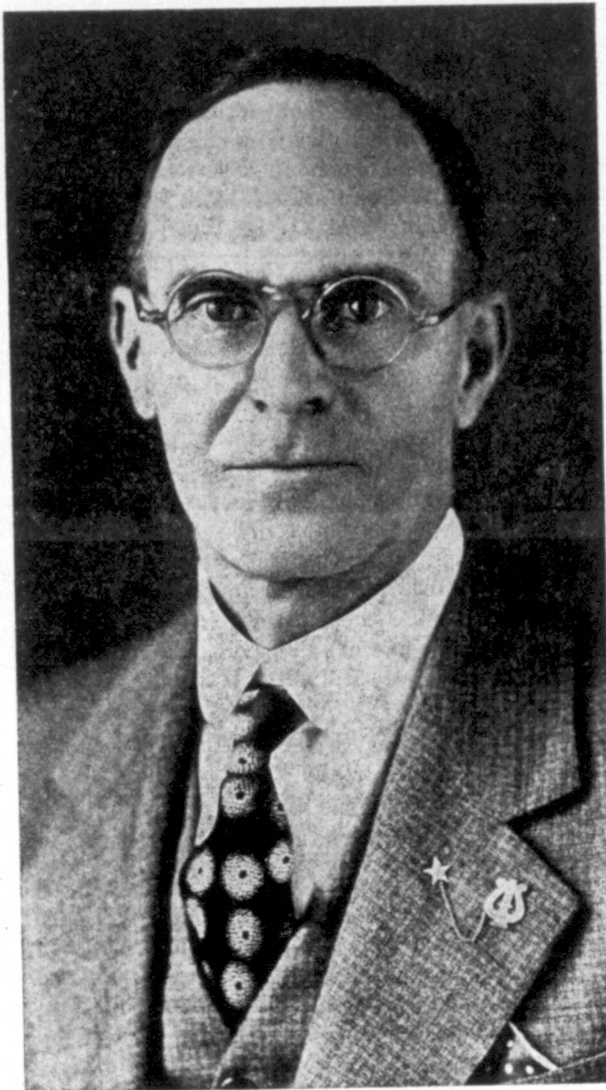
Miss Margaret M. Lackey's name once graced the roll of our church and so did the name of Dr. E. Y. Mullins' father.

Through the years, our church has had the privilege of ordaining some of its young men for the ministry. Among them were: Dr. L. G. Gates, pastor at Laurel, Mississippi, for some thirty years; Dr. J. R. Hobbs, who for so long

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DR. T. W. TALKINGTON
Pastor Crystal Springs Baptist Church
Crystal Springs, Miss.

Dr. T. W. Talkington was born and reared in north Texas. Born at Merritt, in Collins County, his parents moved to Greenville and later to Hopkins County where he received his early training in the public schools of Nelta and Sulphur Springs. At the age of seventeen he entered Eastman College at the latter place. On finishing two years work here, he began teaching in the public schools of the state—his first experience being at Nelta, then his home town.

He was converted and united with the church at the age of fourteen; and was licensed and ordained to preach by the Christian Home Baptist Church, at Nelta, when twenty years of age. Soon he was called as pastor of this church. Thus his home church was his first pastorate and he was its first pastor after it had erected a building.

After combining the tasks of preaching and teaching for a time, Rev. Talkington entered Baylor University, at Waco, where he graduated with the A. B. degree. On continuing his work in the Southwestern Seminary, at Fort Worth, he received three other degrees, namely: Th.B., Th.M., and Th.D.

During these college and seminary days he paid his way by working in the Baylor Printing Office, pastoring churches at Hewitt, Muldoon, and Flatonia, Texas, and by being assistant Hebrew teacher in Baylor and assistant Greek teacher in the Seminary.

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Sparks and Splinters

Rev. Leo Green, pastor of Forks of Elkhorn Church in Kentucky reports a gracious meeting in which 33 were added to the church, 30 by baptism.

A National Bank Examiner recently told the president of First National Bank of Miami, Okla., that he had never seen a note charged off on a tither.—Ex.

Editor-Pastor J. D. Cossey of Searcy, Ark., has been pastor there for seven years. Each year he preaches in his own revival meeting. Recently a meeting closed with 28 additions. The congregations were good.

Wednesday evening, Sept. 16th, a council composed of Rev. Gordon Ezell, pastor; Prof. W. P. Hollis, deacon and clerk of Electric Mills Baptist Church; Dr. Fleming, of 15th Ave. Baptist Church, Meridian; and C. E. Bass, of Scooba Baptist Church, examined and recommended for ordination to full work of the Gospel ministry Rev. J. B. Welborne. The Electric Mills Church accepted the recommendation and the ordination followed. Brother Welborne has a bright future. God bless him.—C. E. Bass.

A great ado is made by Catholics in this country because all ministers of religion in Mexico must be natives and not foreigners. But in Italy, a country dominated by Roman Catholicism a man cannot be pastor of a Baptist church unless he is an Italian. A pastor cannot change his field of work, nor a new place of worship opened without consent of the political authority. Baptism in public is prohibited. Church property cannot be sold nor the money reinvested without consent of the officials. No ex-priest can be pastor of a Baptist church.

Rev. J. H. Cothen, who went four months ago from Richton, Miss., to Brainerd Church, Chattanooga, Tenn., has been compelled by ill health to give up the pastorate and return to Mississippi for complete rest. We have had no more faithful and hard-working pastor than he, and his efforts were intelligently directed toward building up his people and leading them out into the largest service. It is gratifying to see the devotion to him of the people whom he served in Chattanooga. They are greatly distressed at giving him up and disturbed by the condition of his health. We are in receipt of a letter from J. C. Williams, one of the members of the church he last served, telling of the high appreciation in which Bro. Cothen is held; also a letter from Baptist pastors of Chattanooga expressing their sense of loss in his going. His friends in Mississippi will join him in prayer for his complete recovery and that he may be able to resume the work to which he has devoted his life. His address is Hattiesburg R. F. D.

Last week on Thursday the W. M. U. of Leake County held an all-day associational rally at Lena. Mrs. J. J. Paschal presided and Mrs. Lile was secretary. A group of ladies from Meridian included some of the district leaders, Mrs. Broach, Mrs. Street and Miss David. Miss David conducted the devotional service and also made a strong missionary appeal in the afternoon, telling of her experiences in Africa where she was some years a missionary, as was her sainted father, W. J. David. The girls gave an instructive pageant in the morning and the young women another in the afternoon, the latter interpreting the work of the Margaret Fund. Each department of the work was given a good report by the leaders in these fields of service. Thus does the W. M. U. check up on its work. Mrs. Phillips, now ninety years old and for nearly seventy-five years a Christian, was introduced and gave a brief testimony of her faith. Those who read the Children's Circle will remember her as one deeply interested in young people. The editor had the privilege of speaking on the sources of missionary inspiration. Mrs. H. H. Brooks was elected Associational Superintendent for the following year.

Brookhaven W. M. U. set as their goal for the state mission offering, \$150.00. At last report they had passed \$200 and were still going.

When Dr. J. Norris Palmer had been 1,000 days in the pastorate of Baton Rouge First Church, there had been 999 additions.

Brother A. J. Johnson of Attala County is 92 years old and has been a Baptist for 73 years. He is one of the few surviving Confederate veterans in his county.

Form letters for churches to fill out and send to their associations were sent some time ago to clerks of the associations. If your church wants one write to the associational clerk. If you can't get one any other way write to Dr. R. B. Gunter of Jackson.

Dr. Josiah Crudup, moderator of Deer Creek Association, announces a change in the place of meeting of the association. The meeting will be held at Rolling Fork Tuesday, Oct. 13, for one day only. This change was made necessary and the Executive Committee selected another place.

Pastor J. F. Tull has resigned at England, Ark., and will be available for work elsewhere. Brother Tull is well known in Mississippi where he held important pastorates for many years. Our people would be glad to have him back in the state, for he is a preacher of unusual ability, a pastor with the genuine shepherd heart, a soldier of unquestioned courage.

Dr. W. E. Farr went to the Baptist Hospital in Memphis last week for treatment. He expects to be back with his people in a few days. His sickness over Sunday was the occasion of the editor's preaching at Vaiden Sunday, where we found several old friends who remembered a meeting in which the editor preached a good many years ago, and also a large number of Record readers.

The people of the South and the adherents of Democratic principles in general have always insisted upon proper respect for states' rights. No worse invasion of states' rights, or more flagrant disregard of the will of a sovereign state has ever been manifested than is shown today by the federal government when it licenses the sale of liquor in a state which has voted by a large majority against licensing its sale. It is as if a man stood guard at the front door to protect his family, while an officer of the federal government prized open the back door to admit the burglar and despoiler.

District associations meeting next week are: Madison County at Center Terrace Church, Canton, Sept. 29; Rankin County at Antioch Church, Sept. 30; Zion Association at Shady Grove Church, Sept. 30-Oct. 1; Marion County at Foxworth, Sept. 30-Oct. 1; Clarke County at Montrose, Sept. 30-Oct. 1; Bolivar County at Rosedale, Oct. 1; Choctaw County at Concord Church, Oct. 1-2; Perry County at Runkellstown Church, Oct. 1-2; Tri-County at Pass Christian, Oct. 1-2; Franklin Association at Springhill Church, Oct. 1; Liberty Association at Hebron Church, 6 miles east of Quitman, Oct. 2; Kemper County at Center Ridge Church, Oct. 2-3.

Some months ago the trustees of Wake Forest College in North Carolina authorized a limited number of "supervised" dances on the campus, at the request of students. A storm broke loose among the Baptists of the Old North State, and it became quite manifest to all concerned that the rank and file of them would not stand for any such apparent sanction of dancing. A special meeting of the trustees was called to "consider this matter," but the students anticipated them, held a meeting and withdrew their request. Some sensible person got in a good quarter hour's work. The four professors who endorsed the supervised dances are now between diabolus and oceanicus.

If your Record comes in a Yellow Wrapper this week, it means that you have only one more issue before your subscription expires. In order not to miss a copy send your renewal in now. Don't wait, you might forget.

WHY PENSIONS FOR PREACHERS?

By B. Frank Hasty, Field Secretary
Relief and Annuity Board

Much has been written in a general way on the subject of a retirement income for the aged. Much also could be written from the standpoint of Bible teachings on the matter. The purpose of this article, however, is to point out how developments within the ministry converge to make pensions necessary for the preacher of this age.

In early American days, Baptist ministers made their living on the farm or by engaging in some other form of secular work. Some of these pioneer ministers received from \$25 to \$75 per year in cash for their preaching services. Others accepted provisions from their congregations as a form of remuneration. These old time preachers in many instances preached as long as they lived, and they seldom if ever saw the need of a pension for themselves, or for others.

In our days, however, there is an entirely different situation. Many demands are now being made of the minister that was not even thought of in pioneer times. Let us look at some of these modern demands and consider the effect on the welfare of the preachers of this present age.

1. **Cash Salary.** One of the earliest demands made upon the preacher was that he give up the income from his farm and the income from all other secular work, and accept a cash salary for his ministerial labors. This movement took place as a reform measure, and was much discussed, pro and con, over a period of years. During the transition period, a minister might give up his farm and accept a salary from one church, while his next church might require him to renounce his salary and return to the farm for his living. But the movement finally won out, and today there is much prejudice (except in rare cases) against the minister's indulging in any sort of money-making scheme outside his church activities. No doubt all will agree that this movement was good for both church and preacher. But the moment the minister became a wage earner he was, like all other wage earners, dependent upon others for his income. His ability to make money could not be used to build up savings for future needs.

2. **Full-time Ministry.** Not only was the minister required to give up money-making, and depend upon his salary, but he was also required to give all of his time to his ministerial duties. We all know very well that when the modern preacher begins to sell life insurance or automobiles (or anything else) he is apt to find himself losing influence with his congregation. No doubt the majority of our people will agree that his demand is good also.

3. **Education.** Along with the movement for popular education the church has demanded, and rightly, that the preacher be better trained than formerly. We have now arrived at a day when an ever enlarging proportion of our ministers have a college diploma, or a seminary education, or both. Such training cannot be had without money, and many ministers thereby incur large debts that must be paid out of small salaries.

4. **Liberality in Giving.** It is also expected of ministers that they be liberal givers. If the preacher refuses to give, his deacons may follow his example, and if the deacons refuse to give, the congregation may follow them. Furthermore, a minister cannot plead effectively with his deacons and his members to give liberally unless he himself sets a worthy example in this as well as in other graces.

5. **Adequate Library.** The effective minister of today is expected to have an up-to-date library. He must know what the modern world is thinking if he would direct the thoughts of men in worthy channels. And it takes money to buy books, as all well know.

6. **Retirement.** A more recent demand, but one which has been growing all along, is that the minister should retire at a reasonable age. The minister may feel that since he has been

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EDUCATION AND CULTURE AT CRYSTAL SPRINGS

From its beginning, more than eighty years ago, Crystal Springs has been a center of culture for a large sector of the state.

"Young Ladies' Institute" founded and maintained by a prominent educator, Rev. O. Newton, flourished here for nearly half a century. The present magnificent school building is founded on the site of the school promoted so long by Rev. Newton.

"Mullins and Freeman High School" also flourished for many years at this place back in the 60's. Prof. Seth Mullens, who was associated with this school was also a Baptist minister and the father of the distinguished Dr. E. Y. Mullins, so long president of the Southern Baptist Seminary.

Later in school history the names of Rev. J. W. McNeil, Prof. L. W. Kethley, Prof. T. L. Trawick, Prof. H. S. Barron and Prof. E. F. Puckett are well known. Prof. Puckett has been the superintendent of the super-consolidated school since it was founded.

Crystal Springs Consolidated School

A. Historical and General Facts

Established 1927 and opened September 3, 1928. Estimated cost of entire plant \$250,000.00. Pioneer of the super-consolidated schools of Mississippi. Serves an area of over 115 square miles. Said to be the largest school of its type in the U. S. Enrollment 1,350, over 900 being transported daily. Member Southern Association of Schools and Colleges. A county school, not a separate school district.

B. Plant, Equipment, Ground, Beautification

Beautiful campus composed of 25 acres. Roomy playgrounds for physical education and athletics. Splendid football field equipped for night playing. New cinder track for field events. Beautiful shrubbery adorns the approaches and environs. A variety of trees are on the campus. Garden spots, orchards, a pasture well watered and improved. Main building, 325 by 160 of brick, is steam heated, 88 rooms and corridors, including gymnasium, two rest rooms, two offices, library, study hall, 41 class rooms, cafeteria, auditorium, home economics, commercial and agricultural suites. Homes for the superintendent and agriculturist are provided. Auditorium is large, will seat 1,200. Acoustics good. Good stage scenery, including movie screen. Movie booth. Building encircled by driveway for transportation bus terminals. General equipment is modern and up-to-date.

C. Faculty and courses of Study

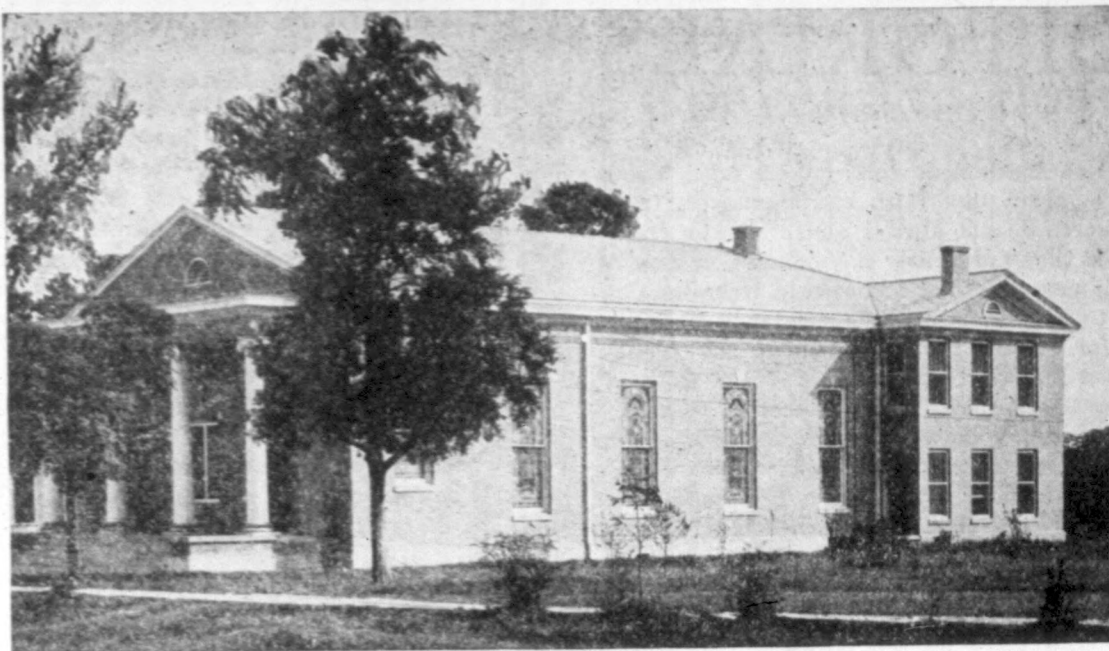
Faculty of 41 academic teachers, and 4 music teachers. Of this number 30 are college graduates, 3 hold masters degrees, 3 have three-year college rating. A good coaching staff is included in the list.

Courses of Study—The usual public school courses including writing, public school music, typewriting, shorthand, bookkeeping, vocational agriculture, band, piano, orchestra, home making, chorus work, physical education, football, track and basketball. Ranks high in performance in regional meets both in athletics and literary work.

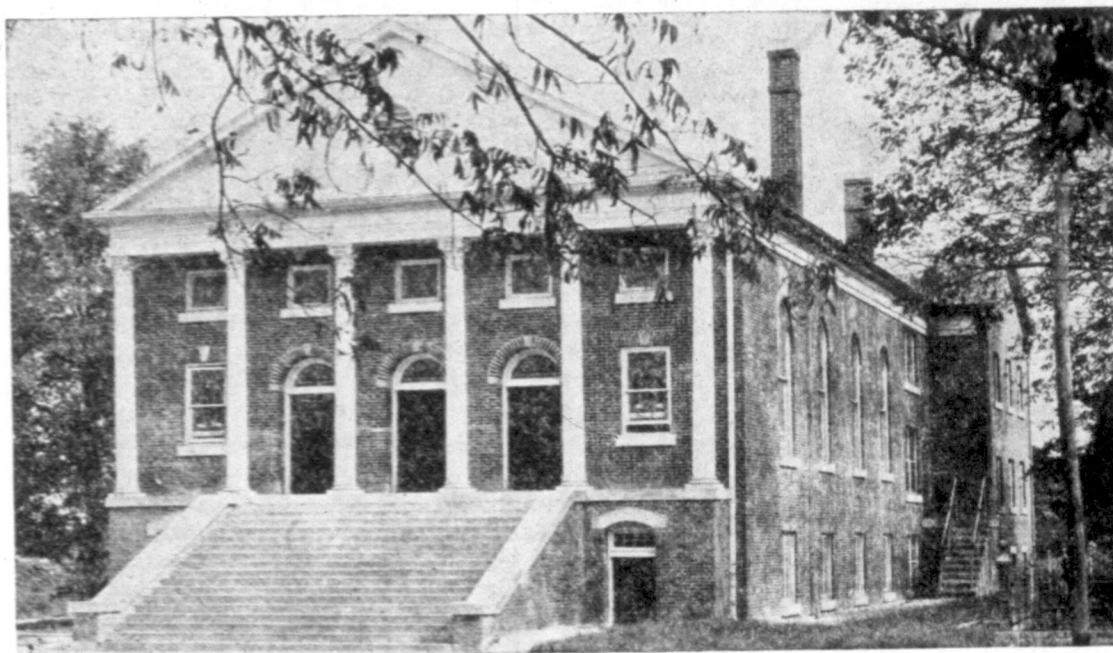
Through the generosity and kindness of President M. P. L. Berry, Jewel Dean Jagers is beginning her second year at Hillman. The Orphanage is indeed grateful that these splendid young ladies are in college.

Begin making your plans for the Thanksgiving contribution to the Orphanage. We can use anything that a home needs and uses. Even a few good cows and chickens. Also make a cash offering through the different organizations of your church.

There are 41 boys and girls from the Orphanage attending Jackson High School this year. Lunch costs \$2.00 per month for each child or 10c per day, making a total of \$82.00 per month. Some Sunday school classes and missionary societies are helping already. How about yours?



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CRYSTAL SPRINGS



CRYSTAL SPRINGS M. E. CHURCH

FROM JERUSALEM H. Leo Eddleman

For some months now I have been receiving the Baptist Record. Father wrote me about its being sent, but I did not understand if he or you were sending it. I am thankful for whoever is responsible, for it is a pleasant and profitable contact with my home state. I watch the movements in Mississippi Baptist circles with interest. Also I have been interested in your son's articles on foreign developments; it seems that this is a very valuable and informative piece of work from both the political and prophetic standpoint. I find it very interesting to watch these things through the eyes of several newspapers out here.

Doubtless you have been watching the recent developments in Palestine; and there have indeed been some. For almost five months now the Arabs have been enacting a rigid strike and general uprising against the English Government in protest against the heavy influx of Jews into the country. Practically all Arab business has been suspended; roving bands have vigorously attacked the government soldiers and Jews, while a committee of high Arab officials has spent the summer in England "unofficially" seeking England's sympathy in their desire to have Jewish immigration suspended. During these four and a half months we have been under rigid curfew regulations from 7:00 p. m. to 5:00 a. m. nightly. We have heard shots most every night punctuated by occasional bomb explosions. The Arab bands have attacked from ambush, slaying even nurses, children and expectant mothers. Traveling is always at a great risk. . . . A striking feature in the Palestinian problem has been the remarkable restraint of the Jews: they have stood by and seen 75 of their ranks mercilessly murdered and during the entire period only this week did they re-

taliante in other than vicious verbal protests. And should their patience be exhausted, the whole country would be subject to skirmishes.

It is true that the Arabs originally agreed to the Balfour Declaration and the building of a Jewish National Home in Palestine. But seeing the Jew come in and against heavy odds reclaim and develop long useless and always obstinate soils so that in many places sweltering sands have become fruitful fields, hills and vast valleys heretofore valueless being scientifically metamorphosed into farms, vineyards and orchards, the quantity and quality of whose produce is amazing—all this has stirred the heretofore dormant national pride of the Arabs, and they are making a desperate effort to insure an Arab majority and predominance for the future. They are saying, "We prefer the present status of the country and our national prestige to further Jewish immigration because despite the material and cultural advancement they bring it will mean ultimately Jewish political supremacy." I try to objectively understand the strong Arab uprisings on this basis. On the other hand the Wandering Jew is tired of his wandering, and as in the days of Joshua, he wants to stop in the Promised Land. At the entrance to any land almost to which he turns now he seems to see written on the ports, "We don't want you here." But as they come to Palestine it is not with the desire to magnify Him who led them here formerly—it is not doubted but that the Jew will renovate this country materially, but how far will he go toward fulfilling his spiritual mission in the world? Few of them even know about God. It is appalling how Germans, Polish, and American Christians have failed to break through the crust of Jewish unbelief, or to even remind the Jew that our Messiah is HIS Messiah. Many Jews have told me as we read together, "This is the

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EDITORIALS

THIS FAITH

The New Testament talks about faith, about the faith, about that faith and about this faith. These words do not always appear in the translation but they are clearly the meaning in several different passages. For example in Hebrews 11:1 we are told that "faith is the substance of things hoped for." Here faith is without the article. In James 2:1 we read, "Hold not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ with respect of persons." Again, according to the American Revision, in James 2:14 we read, "What doth it profit, my brethren, if a man say he hath faith and have not works? Can that faith save him?" And finally in Luke 18:8 we read, "Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find this faith on the earth?"

It is true that in the two latter quotations the demonstrative pronouns "this" and "that" do not occur in the scriptures. In both cases we have the definite article "the." But it is a well known fact that the definite article is originally identical with the demonstrative pronoun. This is true in English and in many if not in all other languages. When James says, "Can the (that) faith save him," it is clear to everybody that he is talking about that kind of faith which is without works, which merely says, "Be warmed, be filled," and does nothing for the relief of suffering. Can that faith, or that kind of faith save a man? Clearly implying that it does not.

Now in the other case when Jesus says, "When the Son of man cometh, will he find faith on the earth?" The meaning is equally clear if we take time to see the connection in which it occurs. And no scripture can be understood independently of its connection. Jesus had been talking about his coming back to earth. He interjects a short parable to teach that men ought always to pray and not to give up, not to quit or faint. This admonition he illustrates by the case of the importunate widow and the unjust judge. She kept going to him, in spite of all discouragement, and she kept it up till she got what she was asking for. Jesus assures us that if that could be true where a helpless widow had to plead her case before an indifferent judge, one who did not fear God nor regard man, a thousand times more certainly would God hear His children who cry to him. He says the trouble is not in getting God to hear, it is in really getting man to pray.

Do we really believe this? Do we really believe that he is a prayer hearing and prayer answering God? Do we believe it enough to continue in praying till we get it? For that is the test of our faith. Jesus is thinking about coming back; planning to come back. But when he comes will he find among men the sort of faith that takes hold on God and will not let go until the answer comes, and we get what we ask for? Will he find this faith, this kind of faith on the earth?

We fix our own periods of prayer. We pray, say five minutes, or fifteen minutes; or we have a so-called prayer meeting that lasts an hour; we say our prayers; we watch, not for the answer, but watch the clock. Suppose someone should ask when you get up from your knees, or when you go out the church door from the prayer meeting, "Did you get what you asked for?" You would probably have to stop and study to find out what it was you asked for. Is it any wonder that the Lord allows trouble to come to hold us to prayer? Or that he withholds the answer that he may keep us a while waiting in his presence? Don't toss your prayers down before him like you feed the chickens and hurry off to something else. God would have you wait before him.

Can you stand the strain of waiting, of continuing long, of coming often before him? Maybe if you can't it wasn't faith after all. Maybe you never did really believe that he would hear, that he cared, or could give you what you asked.

ECCLESIASTICAL TOTALITARIANISM

The word totalitarian has come into such prominence of late as to sound almost like a new word. The thing that has given it wide circulation is the effort of certain European governments to dominate the entire life of the nation and to consolidate and unify the nation. This has been conspicuously true of Germany and Italy, though in less marked degree symptoms of it appear elsewhere. Speaking without prejudice or passion there was a distinct trend in this country in that direction, under the urge of what was thought to be an emergency and necessity. True it was always spoken of as a temporary measure in America, until we should get "back to normalcy." But there seems some difficulty in defining "normalcy," and finding out when we get there. We seem to be "off center" a good part of our time.

But in the European countries above mentioned it is a theory of government which is openly advocated as the best and only form of government for the masses of the people. This totalitarianism goes under the name of fascism in one land, of nazism in another and communism in another. But the idea is that everybody needs to be regulated individually and collectively in all the details of his life, the ordering of his business, the attaining of education and cultural ideals, in the way he shall worship God, bring up his children, plant his crop, cultivate it, harvest it and dispose of it. All of this regulation and regimentation is in the hands of government officials who head up into one central authority whom you may call dictator, fuhrer, duce, commissar or what not. But the end and aim of it all is a hard and fast unity, a central control, and a regimentation and ordering of the lives of the whole people clear out to the last detail. No sphere of life must be left out of this control of family, school, church, business and what have you. The total life of the people, of all the people must be under central direction. That is totalitarianism.

The most insistent and persistent enemies of this theory of political government, for example in Germany are the Catholic church on the one hand and the lovers of individual liberty, as Baptists, on the other. And the opposition of these two opposite classes is based on good but quite different reasons. The Catholics oppose it because it naturally conflicts with their theory of a totalitarian church. The word Catholic is Greek; the word totalitarian is from the Latin, but they mean the same thing, universal, all inclusive.

You can't have a totalitarian church and a totalitarian state in the same country. They try to occupy the same ground, and claim exclusive rights in the same territory. The conflict between the civil government and ecclesiastical control has been acute in Italy for many years. They have now a temporary truce, but it can't last indefinitely. Every land where the Catholic church has had the majority has witnessed the conflict between church and state. The struggle in Mexico today is not new; it is an oft repeated story. England had it, France had it, Germany had it, Spain is having it. Any sort of totalitarianism in headed for trouble in this world. The permanent imposition of external authority on all the people is an impossibility. The human race is not made that way, for God made it.

The opposition of Baptists to any sort of totalitarianism in church or in state is based on the fundamental principle of the freedom of the human soul under the authority of God only, and the fundamental right of every soul to direct and individual access to God. Every sane man believes in authority. Authority is a necessity to orderly and peaceful existence. The difference is in the matter of who shall exercise this authority. In the state the Baptist believes

Maybe if it wasn't "this faith" it wasn't faith at all. Does your praying stand the test? Can you say, have you said, I'll wait till the answer comes, for I know it will come?"

that the powers that be are ordained of God, that is that civil government is God's way of regulating the common affairs of men. But when the edicts of civil authority are in conflict with the teaching of God's word, we must obey God rather than men. That is in the matter of conscience men must be free before God.

This excludes the possibility and resists the theory of totalitarianism whether in state or in church. The state must not tell me what I am to believe and how I am to worship. And the church, as an ecclesiastical organization must not send its agencies to me to tell me what I must believe, and how my religious aspirations must express themselves, nor how my religious obligations are to be fulfilled. Every man may not be a king, but every man must be free to find God and obey Him as the word of God directs.

The very theory of a totalitarian or Catholic church makes impossible the freedom to think, the freedom to investigate, the freedom to act. Inhibitions are on every hand and conscience is made to conform to certain authoritative standards of faith and practice. Where there is liberty there will not be uniformity, and where there is uniformity there will not be liberty.

It seems strange that people who are urging one big church to include all Christians cannot see how it is impossible logically to put all into a uniform organization without destroying the essential quality of the Christian religion. The Roman Catholic church furnishes ample demonstration.

THIS BEGINNING OF SIGNS

These words are used by John in his gospel in speaking of the miracle of turning the water into wine at Cana of Galilee. There are three words in the original New Testament used with reference to miracles which are somewhat carelessly translated in the King James version as miracles, signs and works. In this particularly passage in John the proper word is signs, and there's a reason. A miracle is something that amazes people; "works," when used to describe what we commonly call a miracle, refers to certain acts of God which are quite ordinary with Him, but out of the reach of possibility with men. "Sign" when used of miracles is for the purpose of calling attention to something which is proof of the divine character or commission of the worker. They are also more than proof of the divine character, they are indicative of the nature and purpose of the one who does the work.

The words sign and signs in the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation are worthy of careful study; for they are symbols of the divine presence, authority and nature manifested through them. So in Genesis where God said the sun, moon and stars should be for signs, and in Revelation, which is a book written in sign language, they indicate the signals which God hangs out in the heavens and the earth. Railroad men use the sign language in colored lights or in the number of whistles of the locomotive, or in the motion of the hand. The sign language is used by marines, by other army units and by men in the navy. We use sign language so much and in so many ways that we are hardly conscious of it, a motion of the head, a shrug of the shoulders, a turn of the hand, etc., etc.

Jesus condemned people who could read the signs of the weather, but who did not seem to be able to read the sign of the times. God has always spoken in sign language, and Jesus followed this example in his instruction of the disciples. The special signs here spoken of are the working of miracles, or doing things which man cannot do in his own strength and wisdom, but which can be done only by the working in him of the power of God.

The fact that the turning of the water into wine is called the "beginning of signs" is proof that Jesus had never performed a miracle before, contrary to the traditions in the Roman Catholic church that he had done so in boy-

hood. He grew up in the home a normal lad. His miraculous birth was not known to his brothers and other associates. There was nothing outwardly that distinguished him from others but the excellence of his moral character. It was more important that this should commend him than any reputation as a worker of marvels. Miracles have no worth apart from moral character or spiritual mission.

But it can hardly be doubted that his mother was prepared for the manifestation of his divine mission and had now come to expect it at any moment. He was now of age. John the Baptist had begun his ministry and had identified Jesus as the Messiah. Already a group of disciples at least five in number had gathered around him and two of them had openly spoken of him as the Christ. "All men were in expectation." A great religious awakening was on. Not that his Messiahship had become a settled conviction with the many. But the leaven of truth was working.

Jesus had already made his plans to go back into Galilee and start the work of the kingdom there. Cana of Galilee was on the road back, a little beyond Nazareth. There was a gathering of friends at a marriage celebration. The mother of Jesus was there. Jesus had been invited, and his disciples. This would indicate that he was already being recognized as a religious leader. Suddenly and unexpectedly the wine gives out. There is danger of serious embarrassment. The reputation of the host and family was in danger. Hospitality was one of the most prized virtues of these people. The mother of Jesus is possibly the first to discover it. She is a beautiful, helpful soul, and she is troubled over it. She comes to Jesus on whom she had learned to depend, and to whom she now looks as more than man and approaching this crisis in His life. She doesn't ask for anything; she doesn't tell him to do anything. She simply lays the facts before him. She is so tactful, so guided by a beautiful restraint: "They have no wine."

It seems to take Jesus by surprise, that she should bring it to him. What he answered was probably "Mother, that is hardly a matter for you and me to attend to." It might be presumption to assume any responsibility here. But she doesn't argue with him. She insists upon nothing. She merely waits for the suggestion to work. She merely turns to the servants and says, "Whatever he says to you do it." She leaves it with Him. He will do something about it, she is sure of that, and whatever he does will be right. This is a good way to pray. You don't have to tell the Lord what to do. When Lazarus was sick, Martha and Mary didn't send somebody to tell Jesus to hurry back and heal Lazarus. It was enough to say, "Lord, he whom thou lovest is sick."

Did Mary expect a miracle? Don't know. She hardly knew what to expect. Our words and acts are not always subject to logical analysis and explanation. God was working, and the crisis was at hand. Things are working fast now. He who said a minute ago, "Mine hour is not yet come," now says to the servants, "Fill the water jars." He has come into His own, the day of his life work is breaking. Somehow his mother had had a part in bringing it on, precipitating the moment of beginning. His messianic mission is launched. They bear the water now become wine to the ruler of the feast. It is the best they have had and they do not hesitate to say so.

John who wrote this gospel was there. He was one of the little group of disciples. The word goes round. They all find out what has been done. Some of the others might have been interested only in having plenty of wine. Others might have been concerned about saving the bridegroom host from embarrassment. But there was something else for these disciples: "This beginning of his signs did Jesus in Cana of Galilee and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed on him." The real nature of Jesus began to be unfolded. "His glory" is the unveiling of his divine character. Through the veil of his flesh begins to shine the indwelling divinity.

These men who had listened to and were softened by his words, who had seen something of his spiritual insight in dealing with Nathaniel and had felt the warmth of his soul as they spent the day with him down near the Jordan in Judea; these men now saw another side, another revelation of the power of the Lord Jesus as he had without a word turned the water into wine. There was no denying the fact; there was no natural explanation of the change. By the very proof of their physical senses they had been convinced. They believed on Him. In their souls all doubt and reserve vanished. The conviction gripped them irresistibly. Henceforth He was to them the Christ of God, their leader and Lord.

Blessed are they that having not seen yet have believed.

LET'S GO

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

"Ask the People and They'll Subscribe"

ON THE GO

Marshall County Association:

The 1936 session of the Marshall County Association was held with Salem Church near Potts Camp. The following officers were re-elected: Moderator, Boyd Watkins; Clerk, D. M. Renick; Treasurer, C. D. Collins. Good old-time Baptist hospitality was showered on all by the good Salem people and as usual where we are permitted to present the Record before the noon hour, a goodly number subscribed. In fact, only two less than the neighboring county of Benton.

Rev. J. L. Courson preached a great sermon pinch-hitting for Rev. E. D. McCullough who was delayed by a funeral.

Mr. C. C. Coulter, associate Anti-Saloon League superintendent, made a telling speech on the evils of liquor and beer.

Most of the churches made reports either in person or by letter and we are expecting great things from Marshall County.

Marshall County subscribers by postoffices are as follows (previous to the association):

Holly Springs 13; Potts Camp 2; Byhalia 7.

Flora:

Having a half day that we could spare, we fulfilled a long standing promise to Dr. W. A. McComb to come to Flora. We went and have been glad of it ever since. However, the people were lamenting the recent resignation of Dr. McComb. He has a great hold on the hearts of the Flora people. His successor will have a hard time filling his place. As ever, "Ask the people and they'll subscribe," worked at Flora. We asked them and a goodly number subscribed.

The Flora church building — NOW DEBT FREE — was worth the trip over. It is a delight to the eye and marvelously efficient.

Ripley:

J. B. Parker (Jimmie) has been pastor here for eight years and like another product, grows better with age. On a stormy, rainy night a goodly number showed up for prayer meeting and as we had been overnight guest of Bishop and Mrs. Parker the night before we returned the favor by speaking at the prayer meeting service. We hope they enjoyed us as much as we enjoyed them.

THE CENTENNIAL ISSUE

We find that the centennial issue can be produced for less than we at first expected due to a less number of pages. Send us your order NOW at 15 cents per copy for as many extra copies as you wish. If you prefer, send the names of friends and 15 cents per copy and we'll mail them. No orders can be filled after October 10. Don't wait until too late and then ask us for what we cannot supply.

NONE CAN—THEY ONLY THINK SO

"Please find my renewal for the Baptist Record. I cannot do without it." D. M. Simmons.

Convention Board Department

R. B. GUNTER, Cor. Sec'y.

This one thing we do, pay our debts.

WITHOUT EXCUSE

Paul in Romans 2:1 makes this statement: "Thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art." This can be said this year of practically every Baptist in Mississippi. The depression is gone. Many of our people had good reasons for not contributing to the support of the Lord's work, at least in a liberal manner, during the depression. Some of the time lost can now be redeemed, for the Lord has abundantly blessed His people in Mississippi. Some four years ago the farmers of Mississippi received \$66,000,000.00 for their cotton crop. It is estimated for this year for cotton and seed they will receive \$200,000,000.00. It is also estimated that this will be an increase of \$60,000,000.00 over last year's receipts. Last year's receipts were about two and a half times the receipts of four years ago. Consequently, old accounts are being paid. Farmers are breaking all records in the production of cotton and the price should be satisfactory to every one.

Much is being said at the present time concerning crop insurance. Governor Landon, candidate for the Presidency of the United States, is advocating it. But the best insurance for the farmer, according to Mr. Babson, nationally known statistician, and according to the Sacred Writing, is to honor God with a liberal portion of the wealth which He has enabled us to make. This course has never failed. "Honor the Lord with thy substance and with the first fruits of all thine increase, so shall thy barns be filled with plenty."

It would be possible for Mississippi Baptists to pay the bonded indebtedness made in the interest of our schools before this year closes. We are not asking for this, however. But we are urging that the missionary societies make their offerings liberal to State Missions, that the Sunday schools contribute \$8,000.00 for State Missions, that renewed emphasis be given to the Cooperative Program from now until the close of October, and that the Five Thousand Club be completed at the earliest possible date. The three-fifths mark has been reached. With a concerted effort for the remaining days of September, the five thousand mark can be reached. There is not a church in the State but what should have at least one membership. It is doubtful whether there is a church in which there cannot be one member found who can pay \$1.00 per month on the debts of the Baptist State Convention. Memberships are coming in every day. But more pressure needs to be given during the remaining days. Many have done nobly. They have not stopped with their minimum of ten memberships, but one man has secured thirty-nine. Another accepted ten memberships and has paid up for a full year. One lady has taken ten memberships. The time is ripe; the harvest is sure, if the workers will bend their backs for just a few more days with a determined effort for a glorious finish.

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The church at Williamsburg, Va., has called Dr. Carter Helm Jones of Murfreesboro, Tenn., to become its pastor, and it will be hard to keep him from going back to Virginia.

They say the University of Mississippi, along with other schools has been given a copy of "Beer's Contribution to the Public Welfare," as a part of the brewers' propaganda.

In some places the schools and churches have been closed because of the fear of infantile paralysis, but what about the drunken driving that kills more people than infantile paralysis. Anything doing?

DR. T. W. TALKINGTON

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With school days over, Dr. Talkington's first work was at Shawnee, Oklahoma, where he taught Bible and Greek in Oklahoma Baptist University. Going from here to Beaumont, Texas, he spent two years as pastor of Park Street Church. After this he spent three very happy years as pastor of the church at Homer, La. During this time six organizations of the church attained and kept the A-1 Standard, whereas none of them ever had before. This resulted in his being made State Secretary of Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work in Louisiana, with an office at Shreveport.

Though he was successful in this work, his heart was in the pastorate. Thus when there came a call from First Church, Bogalusa, Louisiana, he accepted. During his four years stay here, the church received 883 members; secured six A-1 organizations; built a large Sunday school annex, also a tabernacle for revivals; established Columbia Street Mission that is now Calvary Church; founded an Italian Mission, First Church paying the salary of an Italian pastor. Still not content, he secured a tent from the State Board, held a meeting in northwest Bogalusa, organized a Sunday school and started prayer meeting there. Later these efforts grew into a church, which was organized in the school building. A pastor was called for full time. Soon a beautiful church building was erected which is still the pride of that part of town. Rev. S. C. Rushing is the present pastor of this church which now has 745 members, and is called Superior Avenue Church. After First Church had given this new congregation 100 members, it still had 994 left when the pastor resigned—though it had possessed only 353 at the beginning of his ministry.

At Ozark, Alabama, which was his next charge, there were some 85 additions each year for three years, and several A-1 organizations were maintained. Then came the call to the Crystal Springs Baptist Church in September, 1927. In the same week there came a call from the First Church, DeRidder, Louisiana, which had a larger membership and offered a larger salary; but after a season of prayer, he and Mrs. Talkington felt definitely led to Mississippi and Crystal Springs.

During his years of ministry and in denominational work, Rev. Talkington has held several positions of responsibility, having been a member of the State Board for several years in both Louisiana and Alabama, also moderator and clerk of associations at various times, and a trustee of the Southern Seminary at Louisville.

NINE YEARS AT CRYSTAL SPRINGS

By T. W. Talkington, Pastor

Last Sunday marked the ninth anniversary of our services with the Crystal Springs Baptist Church—one of our longest and happiest pastorates. There have been discouragements at times and sad failures but we have rejoiced to see a steady gain and a healthy growth all along.

Succeeding Rev. J. P. Harrington we found the church well organized. These organizations we have not sought to change but rather to nourish, stimulate and enlarge as the church has grown and as the occasion demanded.

Where there were two flourishing B. Y. P. U.'s we now have five; these all working under a general B. T. U. organization, with a General Director and other general officers. Brother J. R. Porter was the faithful director for the first five years, and for the past four years Miss Kathleen Taylor has been the very efficient director. Daughter of a Baptist preacher, graduate of Woman's College, and for the past nine years head of the English Department of Crystal Springs Consolidated School, Miss Taylor has proven to be a tower of strength and help to the young people of this good church and community.

The B. T. U. has at least one Training School

each year. While not all of the unions have been on the A-1 list at any one time, yet from one to three of them are A-1 at most any given date. At the present time there are four large pennants hanging in the church auditorium. On these are inscribed, "COPIAH'S BEST JUNIOR UNION", "COPIAH'S BEST INTERMEDIATE UNION", "COPIAH'S BEST SENIOR UNION", "COPIAH'S BEST B. A. U." However, we have not been able to secure these banners but one other year in the nine.

The W. M. S. has four active circles and has 119 members enrolled in its various organizations. It has been A-1 most of the time for the period that this article covers. This great and blessed auxiliary of the church has given largely, both of money and of time, and has proven a great dynamic in keeping alive the missionary spirit in the church. Blessed indeed is that church that has such a large and loyal group doing constantly such a noble work!

The Sunday school has an enrollment of 427 in the main school just now, being still in the "summer slump." However, the actual attendance sometimes reaches about up to this mark. The school has held the A-1 pennant several years, the last one being for 1935. It also stands a fair chance to get the 1936 pennant.

During these nine years the superintendents have been: brethren Glen Ervin, W. E. Biggs, W. C. Scott, Dr. Otho Messer and Prof. S. M. Crain. These have all served nobly and well. Professor Crain, associate superintendent of the Crystal Springs School, has made an unusually competent superintendent and has served in this important capacity here for the past five years.

In the time of the present pastorate the church has contributed nearly \$60,000.00 for various causes. About \$16,000.00 of this was given for missions and benevolences, and a little more than \$43,000.00 for local work. Some improvements have been made on the church building in the past few years, greatly enhancing the property both in appearance and in usefulness. These improvements made it necessary for the church to incur an indebtedness of some five thousand dollars, nearly half of which has been liquidated during the past two years. The church property, including an eleven-room parsonage, is valued at \$35,000.00.

Eight revival meetings have been conducted in the church during the nine years. In these meetings there were 291 additions to the church. The largest ingatherings came during the revivals conducted by Dr. J. E. Byrd (forty-four), the pastor (sixty-three), and Dr. M. E. Dodd (sixty-nine).

During the nine-year period there has been a total of 557 additions to the church. Of these 311 joined by letter and 246 by baptism. The membership of the church, as reported to the last district association, was 858.

Brother W. L. Green has served faithfully as prayer meeting secretary for the past nine years. According to his weekly records there has been an average attendance of thirty-nine. Also num-

CRYSTAL SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

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has been the honored pastor of First Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala.; Rev. T. W. Green, well known among Mississippi churches; and Rev. J. A. Bryant who is fast making a name for himself.

Dr. W. L. Weathersby, who passed into the Great Beyond a few years ago, had the honor of being church clerk for some thirty years.

Scores of others have borne church burdens in the heat of the day and through many years in various capacities. We can mention only a few of them: A. D. Slay, Dr. J. M. Dampeer, Mrs. C. T. Owens, and Mrs. W. H. Barron.

Present Church Officers: W. L. Green, Church Clerk; Miss L'Na Francis, Treasurer; Mrs. Lillian Cook, Pianist; Mrs. L. M. Dampeer, Choir Leader; Prof. S. M. Crain, Sunday School Superintendent; Miss Kathleen Taylor, B. T. U. Director; Mrs. Robert Lang, President of the W. M. S.

Present Board of Trustees: J. T. Biggs, Jr., E. L. Gullledge, C. G. Ervin, and Dr. Otho Messer.

Present Board of Deacons: J. T. Biggs, Sr., Chairman; B. W. Mathis, Sr., J. L. Bankhead, J. S. Tillman, Lawrence Gardner, A. L. Gardner, Dr. F. F. Smith, W. W. Ervin, J. T. Cook, W. L. Green, Charles Haley, W. C. Scott, and W. A. Courtney.

The under-shepherds who have served the church faithfully and well during its seventy-five years of existence are:

L. B. Hollaway, W. B. Gallman, E. R. Freeman, W. H. Head, W. W. Gwin, J. A. Hackett, D. I. Purser, Jesse Woodall, A. J. Miller, W. A. Mason, I. H. Anding, W. F. Yarbrough, W. A. McComb, W. E. Ellis, Rev. Preston, J. W. Dickens, W. L. Howse, J. P. Harrington, T. W. Talkington.

The membership has grown from the original nine to almost 900. The Sunday school enrollment, under the efficient superintendency of Prof. S. M. Crain, has hit the 450 mark. Our five B. T. U.'s, under the splendid management of Miss Kathleen Taylor, number far more than a hundred in membership and are doing excellent work. While the W. M. U., with Mrs. Robert Lang as president, has four circles and a membership of about eighty; and keeps its Young people's organizations moving along under the fine leadership of Miss L'Na Francis.

ber of chapters read and reported 111,216.

We call attention to the fact that if this reading had been done consecutively it would have meant the reading of the entire Bible through more than ninety-three times. In fact, twenty-nine persons have read the Bible through one or more times, some as many as five times.

Fourteen were added to the church at Clinton Sunday, one for baptism.



VEGETABLE SHIPPING, CRYSTAL SPRINGS



EAST RAILROAD AVENUE, CRYSTAL SPRINGS

DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS OF CRYSTAL SPRINGS

By Mrs. T. W. Talkington

Hon. Byron Patton Harrison—"Pat" as he is usually called—is our most distinguished son who has gone afield from the old home town. Having spent some twenty years in the United States Senate, he has been our senior congressman from Mississippi for quite a while; and he was returned this fall by a large majority vote.

The late Joseph Weldon Bailey was another of our famous natives. Transplanting himself on Texas soil, he won a lasting name for himself both as a lawyer and as a United States Senator.

Captain Alton Parker is our air-minded youngster who was one of the first two men ever to fly over both the North and the South Poles, being a member of the famous Byrd Expeditions.

The name of Margaret M. Lackey brings a throb to the heart of every Baptist woman in Mississippi; because of her work as State W. M. U. Secretary through some fifteen years. We feel greatly honored to count her among our former citizens.

Another daughter whom we are proud to claim as our own is Fannye A. Cook, Executive Secretary of the State Wild Life Association. She is an extensive student of plant life and a real authority on birds.

Dr. J. R. Dobbs, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., was once a member of the B. W. Mathis home here; and our church ordained him to preach. The story goes that, young country boy that he was, when he came to the ordination service he was dressed for the part—hard-boiled hat, walking cane, and all.

Hon. W. A. Scott, for some twenty years Mayor of Jackson, played his boyhood pranks on the streets of Crystal Springs.

Roscoe Ates, nationally famous comedian who has made thousands laugh with his stuttering, was once a little bare-footed country boy in the vicinity of Crystal Springs. He presented himself in the old home town three or four years ago in an auto so huge and long that it was thought to be impossible to turn it around in Crystal Springs streets; and when he made a personal appearance at the local theatre, standing room was at a premium and scores were turned away.

Dr. Marie Dees Matingly has for years been teaching in the Medical Department of Tulane University; and her brother, Lieutenant-Commander Randolph Eustace Dees, has made a name for himself in the Navy and is now teaching in the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

Edith Lotterhos, our one and only artist, still lives on her native heath, though her pictures have been exhibited in the Delgado Museum, New Orleans, in the Dallas Art Gallery and elsewhere.

Hon. Frank A. Liddell, distinguished attorney of Houston, is one of our native sons; and we

claim Dr. Ephriam Lowe—State Geologist—as our own.

Mr. Oscar Newton, son of a Presbyterian preacher who founded and operated Newton's Young Ladies' Institute here for years, is now President of the Federal Reserve Bank, District 6, in Atlanta, Georgia.

Mrs. Mignonne Howell Caldwell, who was reared in one of the fine old homes here that has been recently restored, is an outstanding musician in Jackson.

Commander J. Matt Enochs is another who rose from our ranks to the eminent position of commander of a fleet in the Navy. Graduate of the Crystal Springs High School and of the Annapolis Naval Academy, he had, by the time of the World War, attained the office of Commander and carried many Copiah County boys to Europe in his ship "Pennsylvania." He spent two years on the coast of Brazil as special representative of the United States Government helping Brazil establish a navy. At two different times the U. S. fleet that he commanded encircled the globe. Death laid its icy hands upon him while he and his "Pennsylvania", of which he was made commander twenty-three times, were on duty in the Hawaiian Islands. He died in the Naval Hospital in California, April 1932, and was buried in Arlington Cemetery, Washington, D. C. Had he lived until the following September, he would have been promoted to Admiral.

The father of E. Y. Mullins once lived here and taught in the Freeman and Mullins High School. Dr. E. Y. himself rode horseback down our country roads and carried the corn to mill for the family meal. Sometimes the sack was in front of him, sometimes he sat upon it.

Mrs. Peggy Williams Powers, Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. Lolly Williams Atkins, Montdale, N. J., have had many poems published in several of the best magazines and newspapers of our land.

Some of our present citizenry have made large niches for themselves in life; but, with the exception of our only artist, this article is confined to those who have gone far afield.

Our daughters have spread themselves from New York to Florida, and from Georgia to California—in school rooms, in secretarial offices, in the business world, in civic service and in homes of their own they are holding high our home-town ideals.

Our sons have likewise stretched themselves over the map from Massachusetts to the Gulf of Mexico and from the Atlantic to the Pacific, in every line of work and in every known profession they are following the paths that their young feet were started upon in Crystal Springs.

COUPONS! How we watch the mails for them! Please remember they are very valuable to us. 1,000 means \$4.44 in cash—Octagon, Rumford, Knox, Luzianne. Write for circulars giving information.

The Library room is an added attraction at the Orphanage. Some books have already been

WHY PENSIONS FOR PREACHERS?

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divinely called to preach the gospel, he should be allowed to do so as long as he lives, as was the case with pioneer preachers. Laymen may argue, however, that the duties of the modern church are too heavy and too exacting to be undertaken by those who are far advanced in age. Let the writer plead with our ministers that they study (or give diligence) to show themselves worthy to continue their ministerial labors to a ripe old age. And may our churches be considerate in the matter, and not hand a minister his resignation (which often amounts to permanent retirement) simply because he has a few gray hairs and a few facial wrinkles. Members of the Supreme Court of the United States are men advanced in age, but they nevertheless do a most exacting type of work.

To sum up, the demands now being made upon the minister by modern churches are exacting and costly, be they ever so good and necessary. And, as a rule, the greater the minister's salary, the more costly are the demands upon him.

In view of these demands upon the minister, does any layman feel that it is right to turn out these Soldiers of the Cross at 60 or 65 (or any other age) without any salary and without any other income? Thousands of our faithful preachers have been mistreated in this respect, and no amount of argument will make it right. These ministers may feel that they cannot speak for themselves. Our laymen, therefore, are doubly bound to speak for them. May God give our laymen courage to do their duty here.

In England and Wales every Baptist church and every Baptist minister cooperate with their Annuity Board. The church pays half of the premium and the minister half.

Our Southern Baptist Churches by paying 3 per cent of their pastors' salaries in conjunction with like payments by the pastors themselves can make a worthy provision for these pastors through the Age Security Department of The Relief and Annuity Board when they have reached age 65. This is the time for action. Budgets will soon be made for 1937. By all means our strong men and women in the churches should see to it that this item is included in the budgets.

FROM JERUSALEM

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first time I have ever read the Bible!" or "I never knew that Christians claimed such striking connections between the Old and New Testaments." (It would be a profitable experience for all ministers who can to try contacting in a definite way for Christ at least one Jew every few months. Many already do, but too many just don't.)

Many Jews in Jerusalem are seeking light; they are reading the New Testament. Many interesting experiences have been mine as in broken Hebrew I sought to show that the Christ of the New Testament is the Messiah of the Old. The orthodox religious Jew often won't listen; many worldly enlightened ones (majority) turn away with an indifferent, "Enough, I don't believe any of it, the Old or the New." Whereas, many are near the kingdom and have made it evident that if it were not for the fact of losing all—family, friends and work, they would take an open stand for the Saviour. It is our privilege to try to show these seekers that until they do lose their all for HIM, they have not found anything.

"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee."

donated but not nearly enough. If you have worthwhile books in good condition we shall be happy to receive them.

Last week at the Pontotoc County Association five good milch cows were pledged to the Orphanage. We can use a number of others as we do not have sufficient cows to produce enough milk for all purposes.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

Recording Secretary—Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, Miss.
Personal Service—Mrs. M. O. Patterson, Clinton, Miss.
Vice-President—Mrs. G. W. Riley, Clinton, Miss.

President—Mrs. Ned Rice, Charleston, Miss.
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Young People's Secty.—Miss Edwina Robinson
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Stewardship Leader—Mrs. Galla Paxton, Greenville, Miss.
Margaret Fund Trustee—Mrs. D. M. Nelson, Clinton, Miss.
Training School Trustee—Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Jackson, Miss.

Looking at our calendar of W. M. U. Activities for 1936, you will notice that October is the month we are to make much of enlistment. We will also note that in the Plan of Work for the Calendar Year of 1936 Enlistment is the second chief aim of our organization: 1. Winning for membership in our W. M. U. organizations the large number of unenlisted women and young people in our churches. 2. Enlistment of members of organization activities according to their individual talents.

When we check our membership by our church rolls we will see we have but touched the edge of our possibilities; again, if we check the list of active members with names on our membership roll we will be shown the need of enlistment.

The article in the 1936 Year Book, page 35, gives some very practical suggestions on the subject. The editorial by Mrs. F. W. Armstrong in the October Royal Service is very helpful. Read all these suggestions, look around you and see your possibilities, turn the searchlight on your own heart for self-examination, then you will go out with new interest and enthusiasm to bring into greater service a host of new material.

This is the problem of every enlisted woman.

Our State W. M. U. Scholarship students are as follows: Blue Mountain, Inez Gunter; Mississippi Woman's College, Katherine Brand; Mississippi College, Chester Molpus.

Our W. M. U. Training School Scholarships were given to Miss Margaret Middleton, Miss Martha Jo Walters, and Miss Hester Seale.

We will have two other girls at our W. M. U. Training School, Miss Louise McMahon and Miss Frances Lippincott.

The Margaret Fund students assigned to Mississippi for us to mother are as follows: Theresa Anderson, Blue Mountain College, first and sixth districts; Cora Mae Marriott, Blue Mountain College, second and fourth districts; Carey Daniels, Waco, Texas, fifth district; Rachael Leonard, Meredith College, North Carolina, seventh district, and Dorothy Yocum, Blue Mountain College, eighth district.

The district Margaret Fund mothers are as follows:

- District 1—Mrs. E. A. Sigrest, Flora.
- District 2—Mrs. S. C. Thomas, Itta Bena.
- District 3—Mrs. F. M. Purser, Oxford.
- District 4—Mrs. C. P. Long, Tupelo.
- District 5—Mrs. Wirt Carpenter, Starkville.
- District 6—Mrs. R. S. Majure, Newton.
- District 7—Mrs. Nat Owen, Gulfport.
- District 8—Mrs. L. E. Green, Prentiss.

I am confident you will be hearing from these as to what your assignment will be.

We have received a message that Miss Pearl Caldwell and Miss Juanita Byrd have landed safely in China. We rejoice that they have had a safe landing.

Another bit of news, we are delighted to pass on, Miss Minnie Landrum has had a safe trip and is now at home with her family in Clinton. Please do not make any calls on her for engagements immediately—she will be with us a year and the Foreign Mission Board requires its missionaries to rest three months when they arrive in the States for their furlough. We will have opportunity to hear her later.

HOUSE PARTY OCT. 30-NOV. 1

Who doesn't just love to go on house parties?

Have you ever been to one of our College Intermediate G. A. ones?

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We are inviting you to this very particular House Party at Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg, Miss. Yes, we want you to R.S.V.P.

The plans:

1. Arrive Friday afternoon, Oct. 30, the program really begins that night at supper time.

2. Bring sheets, towels, pencil, G. A. Manual, Bible, white dress if you are to be in the Coronation Service, Evening dress if Queen.

3. Cost: Send 25c for each girl planning to attend not later than October 27th to:

Edwina Robinson,
Box 530,
Jackson, Miss.

Then upon arrival pay \$1.50.

4. The program will be over after lunch Sunday, Nov. 1.

Our Woman's Missionary Union lost one of its best friends by death last week in the going home of Mrs. W. F. Smith, Sr., of Magee. Her interest in kingdom work never lagged. She had been ill several months but she did not count her physical suffering anything to be compared with her privation from church activities. A few days ago we saw her on our way from a meeting, although she was unable to speak aloud from weakness, she asked if we had a good associational meeting. She was the best example of an enlisted Christian I have ever known.

Luther Rice Centennial

Another denominational interest is in the forefront and is accordingly receiving hearty cooperation on the part of the Woman's Missionary Union—the celebration of the Luther Rice Centennial. The Union's three magazines—Royal Service, The Window of Y. W. A., World Comrades—are carrying articles and other notices concerning this pioneer in Baptist journalism, the expectation being that many of their 100,000 subscribers will attend the national program at Pine Pleasant Baptist Church near Saluda, S. C., on September 25 and that vastly more of the 593,766 W. M. U. members will participate in the memorial services in their own churches or colleges on Sunday, September 27. Gratefully conscious is Woman's Missionary Union that Luther Rice was dauntless in his successful efforts to organize into missionary societies many Southern Baptist women and young people, withal entreating them to "give good measure, pressed down, running over" for missions.

Like Rice, the Union upholds Christian education, the state W. M. U. offices reporting that their constituencies contributed during the past calendar year over \$1,972,300, of which over \$235,300 was for Southwide and state Baptist schools. In many of them and in state institutions there are College (or Ann Hasseltine) Young Women's Auxiliaries, of which during the past scholastic year 36 attained A-1 honor grade. Pastors in the college communities are respectfully requested to encourage the college Y. W.

A's to measure up to the highest standard in prayer and faithful work, even as all the pastors and their deacons will help the 34,645 W. M. U. organizations in their churches to be "steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord" and "continuing steadfastly in prayer."

—Miss Kathleen Mallory

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CHURCH MUSIC Pointed Paragraphs I. E. Reynolds

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No. 31 English Hymnody

Just as poetry is the index of the age in which it is written, so is Hymnology the religious index of the age in which it is written. The Psalms, or Hymnal of the Bible, reflect the religious life of the Hebrew people. Hymnody is the expression of religious emotions, hence worthy emotions ought to be expressed through a worthy Hymnody. Because there is so little information relative to the standard hymns, that have meant so much to the religious life of our churches on this subject, a brief historic account of English hymnody is given in the following paragraphs according to the outline found in Dr. Breed's "History of Hymns, Hymn Tunes and Their use." The first epoch, 16th 1730, is called the Doctrinal and Didactic Period. Most of the hymns written during this time had to do with teaching the great doctrines of the Bible. There were twelve outstanding hymn writers in this period of 100 years, namely: Bishop Ken, Joseph Addison, Isaac Watts, Phillip Doddridge, Charles Wesley, Anne Steele, William Williams, John Cennick, John Newton, William Cowper, Elward Perronet, and Augustus Toplady. All of the men, except Joseph Addison, were ministers of the Gospel. In this period only one woman—Anne Steele,—attained first rank as a hymn writer. Some of the hymns of this period are: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name—Perronet; "Rock of Ages"—Wesley; "Oh For A Thousand Tongues"—Toplady; "How Tedious and Tasteless the Hours"—Newton; "Amazing Grace"—Watts; "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"—Watts; "Alas and Did My Savior Bleed"—Watts; "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah"—Williams; "O Happy Day"—Doddridge; "Jesus Shall Reign"—Watts; "Am I A Soldier of the Cross?"—Watts; "Awake My Soul"—Ken; "Father What E'er of Earth's Bliss"—Steele; "Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending"—Cennick; and "The Spacious Firmament"—Addison.

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The church at Sardis, Panola County, put on a tithing campaign and 89 agreed to give one-tenth of their incomes. They hope to make it 100.

Amory Church celebrated the sixth anniversary of Pastor J. F. Measells Sept. 13 by presenting him a cake with six candles, gave a big dinner to the whole family along with a bonus and other gifts. His heart is glad.

We wondered what was the matter with the egg business, that you can scarcely buy an egg in a country store. Now they tell us that those who brought chickens and eggs to town to sell are trying to buy eggs with their relief money. Give us relief from "relief."

The associational letter of Highland Church, Meridian, J. H. Street pastor, showed 20 baptized during the year, 27 received by letter, 34 taking the Baptist Record, membership 464, Sunday school enrollment 378, W. M. U. enrollment 103, given to local work \$3,994.59, to outside work \$753.23.

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EAST MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT

By R. L. BRELAND

Calhoun Baptists

The Calhoun County Baptist Association met with Midway Baptist Church, near Vardaman, Sept. 14 and 15. Practically all of the 37 Baptist churches were represented. The writer was present on the first day only, and it was a good meeting. The former officers were re-elected: B. Murphree, Moderator; A. F. Brasher, Associate moderator; E. A. Dye, Clerk, and T. B. Flanagan, Treasurer.

O. C. Cooper, of Bruce, preached the annual sermon. His text was John 10:28; the theme, "Preservance of the Saints." It was well delivered and appreciated. Dr. R. B. Gunter was present and discussed "Your Business," the mission work. Another visitor was Rev. J. B. Gordon of Blue Mountain.

The various reports were ably presented by the brethren: Foreign Missions by A. E. Ferguson; Home Missions by R. M. Lewis; State Missions by John Gore; Stewardship and Tithing by R. L. Breland; Cooperative Program by O. C. Cooper; Sunday Schools by R. B. Patterson; B. T. U. by Mrs. W. G. Baldwin; W. M. U. by Mrs. R. B. Patterson; Christian Education by Jesse Dorroh; Social Service by Mrs. C. C. Richardson; Orphanage by J. W. Hicks; Hospitals by Dr. J. Aycock, and Ministerial Relief by A. F. Brasher.

Midway church did her part well in entertaining the messengers and visitors. Mrs. Van Rish Dendly was ably assisted by a number of the brethren and sisters of the church and community. The spread at noon was bountiful and well prepared. It was a good associational meeting. All went away hoping that it would not be 31 years before we meet with Midway again, as it had been that long since the body met there before.

The pastor, Rev. M. C. Putnam, was reported sick and unable to attend the meeting. L. E. Roane, an-

other very familiar figure at all these meetings, was reported in the hospital suffering from blood poison, so was absent. Prayers for these and others were offered.

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"God has always saved His cause by a small dependable minority."
—Dr. Gunter.

Rev. J. W. Kitchens is located at Maben and serves Maben for half-time, College Hill and other churches. He attended the Calhoun Association.

Brother Lofton Lackey, formerly of Calhoun City, has located at Burke, a rural district a few miles west of Pittsboro. When he and wife located there they found no Sunday school or other organizations, so they soon organized and went to work for the Master. This is the way for Christians to do, work wherever they are placed.

Rev. J. F. Tull has resigned the Baptist Church at England, Ark., after some years of successful work. He is a native Mississippian, educated at Mississippi College, and has held several good pastorates in the state one of which was New Albany. He has also attended the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Being a Mississippian his heart would naturally desire to come back to his native state. Any church desiring an active, experienced, hardworking pastor would do well to write brother Tull at England, Ark.

A recent letter from Rev. L. B. Campbell said in part: "I have thought for weeks that I would take occasion to write you my appreciation of the tribute you paid brother E. J. Hill through your column of the Record. It was among the finest things I have read in a year." We appreciate words from our brethren. Brother Hill was more than a brother to me and I spoke what I said out of my heart.

Letters from Mr. Robert Burke and Mrs. J. R. Howle of Tillatoba bring encouraging news about the new church building now in contemplation, that it will likely be started soon. This good church has been worshipping in the Methodist church since the house was burned last winter. May the building soon be erected.

Lantrip Baptist Church presented a quilt to the Calhoun County Baptist Association and requested that it be sold and quilt and proceeds be sent to the Baptist Home for Children. An offering was taken and \$14.23 received which, with the quilt, will go to the Home. The W. M. S. of Midway Baptist Church had a quilt on exhibit that was collecting funds for the Home. Mrs. Van Rish Dendly is leader of this society. Each one giving had his or name pinned to the quilt. A number of names were attached. All this will help a good cause.

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Baptist Student Union

B. S. U. OF CLARKE COLLEGE

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The officers of the B. S. U. of Clarke Memorial College held their first council meeting September 15. Every officer that was installed last year was present at the roll call. The meeting was in charge of the president, Hardee Kennedy of Quitman, Miss. After the devotional by the president, a time and place for the regular weekly meetings were decided upon. Plans were then made for the various B. S. U. activities on the campus. Each officer was urged to do his or her part in promoting the religious activities on the campus. The meeting was dismissed by Lester White.

Besides the president the officers to serve are: first vice-president, Marie Holland, Vossburg; second vice-president, Lester White; Hobart, La.; third vice-president, J. C. Murphy, Collumberg, Ala.; secretary, J. E. Albritton, Shubuta; treasurer, Ben Toland, Coffeeville; reporter, Lucille Bounds, Newton; chorister, T. E. Williams, Enterprise; faculty advisor, Rev. J. E. Wills, Newton.

—Report sent by Marie Holland.

B. S. U. AT MISSISSIPPI STATE COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

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First we will take a peek at the Sunday school, under the inspired leadership of Elizabeth Hudson, Utica, who is director of the Sunday school. A clever playlet presenting the B. S. U. Council was given before an unusually large group. Miss Rhobia Taylor, Student Secretary, acting in the capacity of artist, introduced each member with a short talk, as each came out to be presented as a real life model of the portrait of her displayed by Miss Taylor.

Then there was the striking B. Y. P. U. program of the first Sunday night. There was nothing dull about the launching of the good ship B. Y. P. U. The program was promoted in a nautical way by Bernice Benson, McComb, director of B. Y. P. U. As charming hostess of the ship, she made the large group of passengers welcome. Then Ruby Nelle Gooch, Yazoo City, explained the voyage and introduced its pilot, Christ. Marice Collins, Laurel, and Doris Moreland, Corinth, gave the plan, or chart, and the compass of the voyage. These are the Bible and the Holy Spirit. The gales and tradewinds, by Ruby Wyatt, Columbus. The good ship B. Y. P. U. has set sail for a great year.

A record-breaking crowd of interested young women responded to the invitations to the first meeting

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of the Y. W. A. on Wednesday. Under the leadership of Hilda Gill, Lumberton, the Y. W. A. is well started in an active year. The corp of officers were introduced at the first meeting. George Evelyn Crow, Noxapater, vice-president, emphasized the Y. W. A. ideal of Sharing. The ideal of making a good record was discussed by the secretary, Mary Helen Coleman, Montpelier. Edwynia Walker, Ashland, treasurer, presented the ideal of Stewardship. The personal service chairman, Bessie Eellen McKinnon, Coldwater, spoke of the ideal of Personal Service. The ideal of Knowledge of Kingdom Service was upheld by Estelle Sutherland, Caledonia, chairman of mission study. The ideal of Prayer and Bible Study was discussed by Bonnie McDonald, Quitman, chairman of devotionals. The next ideal, Choice Happiness, was presented by the chairman of the social committee, Virginia Ishee, Laurel. Lena Pearl Boutwell, Newton, publicity chairman, discussed the ideal of Letting Others Know. The chairman of music, Mary Ida Flowers, Magnolia, represented the ideal of Harmony of Things. With these efficient leaders to guide, the Y. W. A. will surely fulfill every expectation for a great year.

As these three major organizations might be used to gage B. S. U. work, and as they reflect such a lively interest on the part of students, a triumphant year of service may be predicted for Christ on the M. S. C. W. campus.

Pansy Simmons,
Reporter

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

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The council members of the B. S. U. held their annual fall retreat at Blue Mountain College on September 12, 13, and 14, prior to the opening of the school year. "Looking Unto Jesus" was the theme for the session, built around Hebrews 12:1, 2, which has been selected by the council as its scripture for the year.

The first event was a picnic supper in the dell on Saturday evening, at which the council members, Dr. Riser, pastor of the local church, and several faculty members enjoyed good fellowship. Each evening family altar was conducted by Miss Mary D. Yarborough, student sec-

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by
L. BRACEY CAMPBELL

For September 27
Watching Christianity Spread In
Western Asia

As He stood on the mount of the ascension, our Lord commanded His disciples back into the city to await there the descent of the Father's gift upon them. He had commissioned them to witness for Him in all the earth, but had made it plain to them that they were not to attempt this in their own strength. So to attempt it would have been to fail, signally and miserably as men now fail when they attempt the work of the Lord without the power of the Lord.

Returning to Jerusalem as they had been commanded, the disciples remained there praying and waiting the pleasure of the Lord. They had learned to look upon Him as their Master and Lord. As such they recognized His right to command them in all matters whatsoever. So when He commanded them to remain in the city till such time as He pleased, they went about doing it. So they remained ten days until the coming of the Day of Pentecost.

This day marked the end of their waiting. Their Lord came back to them that day in the person of the one whom the Father at their Lord's request had given to be with them forever, and to be to them what their Master had been to them while He was with them. The coming of the other helper upon this day brought their period of waiting to an end. It also proved to them beyond all doubt that their Master had arrived in heaven, and that He had led them and represented the Father in a manner well pleasing to the Father. It meant also that they now had with them again one to lead their movement and labors for their Lord. He came to qualify them for whatever task the hour and occasion demanded of them.

On this first day of His residence with them, He qualified them for witnessing. The multitude of the visiting Jews from all the lands about them heard from the lips of these men whom the Spirit of the Lord had qualified as His witnesses their testimony to the wonderful works of God. This testimony of the disciples led to wonder upon the part of the multitude, and that wonder led to attempts to account for what was occurring. This in turn led to Peter's explanation, and this again to the conversion of the 3,000 on that day.

There followed days of happy fellowship with the Lord and of joyous labors for Him. But the joy was not unmixed, as the days wore on, and the Christian movement gained popularity. For there came to Ananias and his wife the temptation to appear to do what they did not and to be what they were not. Their yielding to this temptation, a temptation which comes to man again under like conditions, brought forth from God the stern rebuke

with which He stamped once and for all on the pages of Christian history His hatred of the liar and the hypocrite.

The appointment of the seven as helpers to the disciples in the work of administering the largess of the church to the needy illustrates the diversity in unity of the work of the Spirit. In this incident, He met again their need and illustrated the age old truth that our Lord becomes to us the supply of our every need. The Spirit guided them in the solution of a problem which would doubtless have ruptured the brotherly relations of the company had He not lent them the weight and worth of His counsel.

Days of growth brought acts of persecution which met resistance unto blood in the case of Stephen. Upon his death as a witness of Jesus, there broke upon the heads of the Christians a storm of furious hatred which howled from the hearts of men who were eager to wipe the Christian movement out in a welter of blood. As a result of this persecution, the disciples, that is, the laymen and women of the church in Jerusalem, were scattered abroad. I do not know why the apostles remained or were suffered to remain in Jerusalem when the bulk of their brethren and sisters were scattered. Maybe, and I think it extremely likely, that God was through the Holy Spirit here showing His independence of all officials and the whole system of officialdom. He was showing how He could spread the gospel of the kingdom through the efforts of the common men and women whom He had called to be His own, and how the personal efforts of these men and women might be at times God's accepted way of spreading the gospel absolutely independently of all official help.

From Jerusalem the disciples carried the gospel to Samaria where Philip became noted as a lay-evangelist. Thence he was called by the Lord to meet and instruct the Ethiopian eunuch, who was chosen in turn to tell a nation about God. From the scene of the baptism of this high official, Philip went up along the Mediterranean Sea coast country, preaching as he went.

Up from Jerusalem to Damascus went Saul the Sanhedrist bent upon extirpating the Christian movement in that quarter, but meeting Jesus on the way, was arrested and converted into the greatest missionary in all the record of our Master's work. But he did not go to it in full career at once. He went away for a while to where he could think things over and through. Before he came forward as the greatest of all the servants of our Lord, he knew a period of retirement into the city of his birth.

It was while he was there that the Lord led Peter down to Caesarea by the sea that he might give the gospel for the first time to a heathen congregation. Cornelius and his household believed, and thus Christianity won its first considerable number of converts among the Romans, and there came to the fore for the first time the question which provoked discus-

sion and division for years to come: The question of the freedom of the Gentiles from obligation to obey the Mosaic Law, when and if they accepted Christ.

We see another and very important center of Christianity growing in the city of Syrian Antioch, whither disciples of those who preached the gospel in Cyprus and Cyrene came and won converts from among the people of that famous city. Hither came Barnabas who, when he had labored there long enough to recognize the importance of the city as future stronghold of the new faith and to realize his own inability to cope with this situation alone, went over to Tarsus in Cilicia and induced Saul to return with him to Antioch. This church grew apace until it became to the missionary enterprise the most important stronghold and the most strategic point of departure for the evangelization of the Roman world.

A famine which had been foretold by prophetic voice created such need in the vicinity of Jerusalem that the Christians in Antioch and vicinity made an offering for the relief of the relief of the sufferers, and sent it to Jerusalem by Barnabas and Saul, who brought back the news of the martyrdom of James, the imprisonment of Peter, and the death of Herod Agrippa I.

From the great church at Antioch the Spirit sent forth Barnabas and Saul, accompanied by the young John Mark, on the first missionary journey. This journey was undertaken under the express direction of the Holy Spirit. It embraced the whole of the important Island of Cyprus, of which land Barnabas was a native, and was signalized by the conversion of the proconsul Sergius Paulus and the stinging rebuke of Elymas the hinderer. His sin was that he, being intelligent and able to distinguish the false and the true, chose to obstruct the truth and to champion the false. He stands in the same category as the men who resisted the progress of the work of Jesus while He was here in the flesh, and met His stern denunciation in which He likened them to whited sepulchers of fair appearance without but full of all corruption within.

Returning from the journey during which John Mark deserted them to return to the shelter of his devout mother's home in Jerusalem, the missionaries went up to Jerusalem to counsel with the brethren there as to what should be demanded of the Gentile brethren who accepted Christ. The question was: Shall they be advised that they are required only to accept Christ as Lord and Master with what that implied of abstinence from the gross sins, from idolatry, and from the eating the meat of animals which had been strangled, or were they to be taught that they must become

Jews and, upon that foundation of religion, were to build a Christian superstructure? The Jerusalem church advised the latter course, though the Judaizers who went out thence upon Paul's train harassed him through all his life as a missionary.

A second missionary journey, upon which Barnabas did not accompany Paul because he would not consent to take along Mark the deserter, led Paul to the city of Troas, the extremity of the Asian continent. Barnabas took his young cousin Mark and returned to his native Cyprus. Exit Barnabas.

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The following was clipped from THE METEOR, Crystal Springs newspaper, September 5, 1936.

GARMENT PLANT OPENED MONDAY AT CRYSTAL SPRINGS

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Crystal Springs is truly in the limelight this week. Her every ambition to have an industrial plant, manufacturing garments, has been realized. On Monday Crystal Springs Shirt Corporation started operations. The instruction school on Georgetown street, where several hundred women have been taught the art of making shirts by machinery, for the past several months was dismantled, most of the machines being installed in the new factory building. Only a small number of women will be employed at this time, gradually increasing until maximum employment will be reached.

The handsome new industrial building recently completed at a cost of \$30,000, with its fine lighting and sanitary conditions, is very inviting as a place of employment, and as an added industry to the several already located here. Crystal Springs is proud indeed of the new factory.

This is the first industry to locate in Mississippi after the inauguration of Governor Hugh White whose platform was in the main to "Balance agriculture with industry, and so it will be here in Crystal Springs the first garment industry was located and started operation. And this factory will also blaze the way for many others to seek locations here, as Crystal Springs offers many things to attract the manufacturer, such as first class transportation facilities, good sites, high line power, natural gas, healthy climate, adequate labor, citizens friendly to industry, many and various kinds of raw materials, in the way of hardwood timber, clays, rock and gravel deposits, and unlimited water supply.

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George—"Now that you're married I suppose you'll take out a life insurance policy."

Edward—"Oh, no, I don't think she is dangerous."



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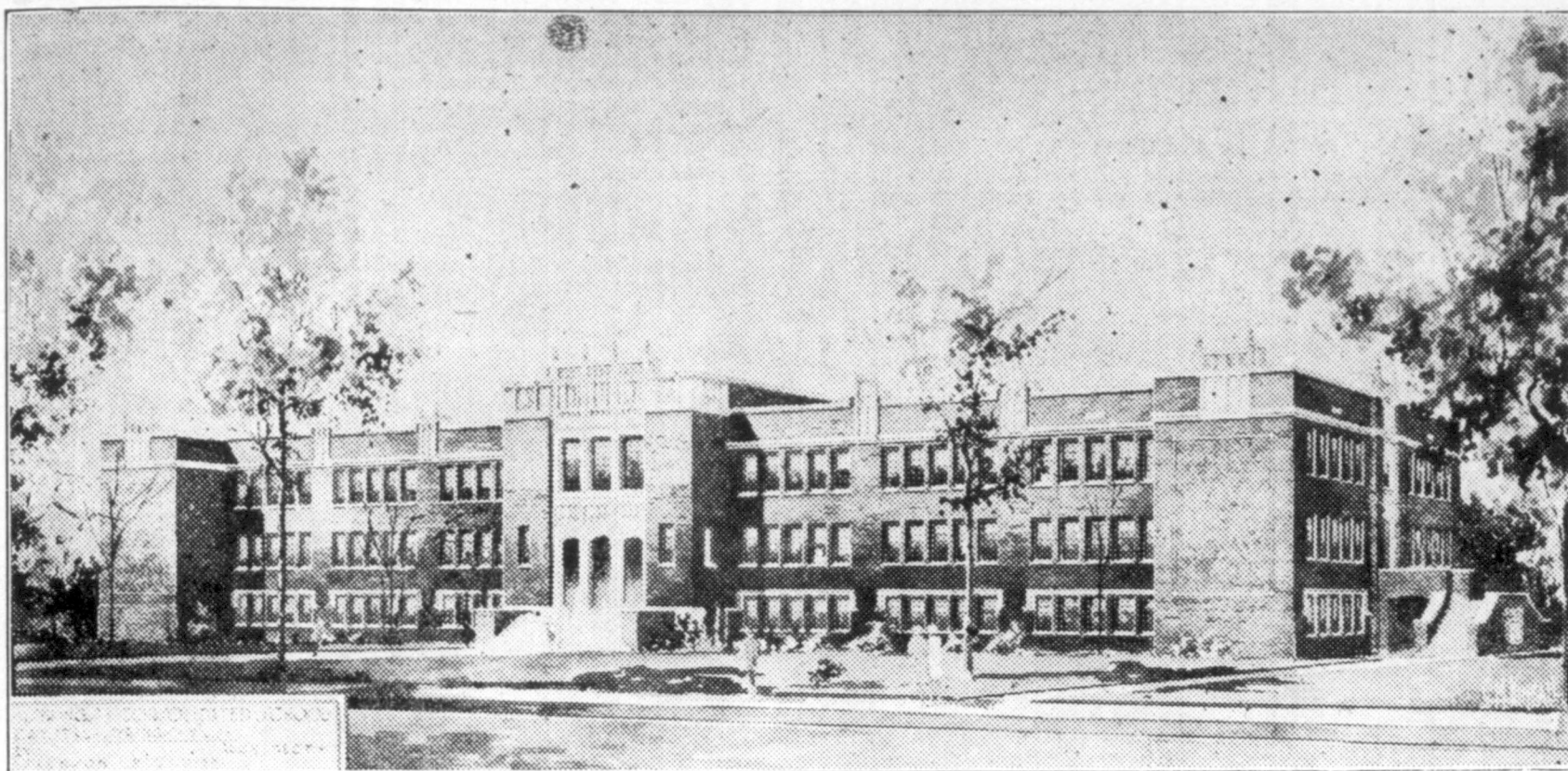
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CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS, CRYSTAL SPRINGS

POINTS OF INTEREST IN AND AROUND CRYSTAL SPRINGS

Truck farms! There lie our supreme interests. From the time cabbage seeds are planted in the fall until the last cull tomatoes are disposed of by the high geared packing sheds in June, we think in terms of vegetables. A freeze, a drought, a wet spell, each alike throws us into an agony of apprehension. At the first appearance of vegetable lice, premature seeding, and dry rot we all see ourselves marching over the hill to the poor house. While shipping season and high prices plunge us into all the frenzy of a gold rush or an oil boom.

When our 11 packing sheds are in full swing, filled to capacity with fresh tomatoes, with expert packers at every stand placing the green balls in lugs with lightening speed, it is a sight well worth the seeing.

With our penal servitude to vegetables over, we find time to discover that we have other interests besides cabbages and tomatoes.

First of all there is Chautauqua Lake, fed by Crystal Springs at the foot of the hill on which the first church and school were erected. Long known as Hennington Camp Ground, the Lake was for years a favored spot for camp meetings. Then came its hey day when high class Chautauqua programs were conducted under its spacious tabernacle, when its hotel did a good summer business, and when the elite of the town built their summer cottages on its grounds. That day passed, also. Now this spot of hallowed memories is used as a picnic ground, a fishing resort, and a forum where politicians vent their oratory.

Jefferson Davis once honored the town with a visit and made an address about where Mrs. I. F. Barnes' home now stands. There are zealous southerners here who feel that the spot should be marked with a bronze tablet.

On a hill on the east side of town, there was built, in 1861, Newton's Young Ladies' Institute which for decades wielded a cultural influence

over the surrounding country. Not a vestige of the old buildings remains; but in their stead there has risen a magnificent \$225,000 Consolidated High School said to be the largest of its kind in the world.

The "Old Crystal Springs Loop", a scenic drive around the town, was once the pride of those who knew the intricacies of its various turns. Interest in it, however, has been usurped by the Pat Harrison Loop which brings Highway 51 through the town.

The box factory, which both makes and distributes various kinds of vegetable and fruit containers over the earth and also supplies the local market, is a marvel to the innocent by-stander.

Our two tomato paste factories—that consume the tomatoes after they are too ripe for shipment—are the focal points of interest during the later part of June and the first part of July, their smell being their most noticeable attraction.

A cannery was established here last year which turned out thousands of cases of tomatoes. Canning of other kinds of vegetables will be under-taken as soon as the farmers have been trained to sell their produce to a factory as well as to packing sheds.

The \$30,000 shirt factory is our latest excitement. Having opened its doors for work around the first of September, it is expected to one day employ 250 women. Also, the telephone company is erecting a new building.

We are proud of our embryo library which was established last year; and hope that it will one day compare favorably with those in larger towns.

The recent restoration of several fine old homes which had been allowed to fall into decay has been a source of great interest to all who are imbued with a sense of civic pride.

Just now we are eagerly awaiting the consummation of our paving project which will include practically every street and give us one of the best paved towns in the state.

Mrs. T. W. Talkington.

HISTORY OF CRYSTAL SPRINGS BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL

Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2 Tim.: 2:15.

During the years of its existence, the Crystal Springs Baptist Church has magnified its teaching service—the Sunday School. Faithful ones have labored untiringly to train our children and older members for places of leadership—and most of all, to appreciate the value of studying God's word.

As we think of loyal service, we recall the names of many, among whom are: Messrs. Andrew Sturgis, A. D. Slay, L. M. Dampeer, Jr., W. C. Scott, Glen Ervin, E. L. Biggs and Dr. Otho Messer, who have served as superintendent of the school. Outstanding among the promoters of the Sunday School, are secretaries who deserve honorable mention, namely, Mr. Roy Scott, Mr. D. F. Gates, Sr., and our present secretary, Mr. Sexton Tillman, who has served so faithfully over a long period of years.

In reviewing the growth and development of the Sunday School we are vividly reminded of a former pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Harrington, under whose direction the S. S. was re-organized and graded. Since this time we have seen a steady growth, and most of the time, we have maintained a standard A-1 S. S.

At present under the leadership and supervision of our faithful pastor, Dr. T. W. Talkington and our capable superintendent, Prof. S. M. Crain we have a splendid Sunday School with an enrollment of 427.

The poet has beautifully expressed the sentiment that has been paramount in the hearts of those who have carried on.

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When to the Father I shall go,
And I shall hear Him say to me,
"Where is the lad I gave to thee?"

I would not drop my head in shame,
Deserving of the Fathers' blame

Because I failed the lad, Oh, no!
But in His presence I would say:

"I led the lad along the way
Of righteousness and love and truth.

I taught him in the days of youth
Thy purpose in his life to know

I taught him how to pray and give
And in Thy service daily live.

And now, that I have come to Thee,
He stays to serve Thee faithfully

In the church I left below;
Better taught than I and trained,

He reaches heights I ne'er attained
And builds a better church today

Than I could ever hope to know."
This is what I want to say

When to the Father I shall go.

Mrs. W. W. Price.

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The Children's Circle

MRS. P. I. LIPSEY

My dear children:

I'm sorry that our printers—or somebody—made a mistake in Miss Parnell's husband's name last week. His name, if I mistake not, is Rev. Frank Ramirez. The bridal couple are now, I'm sure, very happy on their home mission field in East St. Louis, of which she told us a little in her letter last week. Now, the next thing for us to do is to get acquainted with Miss Mildred Mixon of Hattiesburg, who is so highly recommended to us by our friends at the B. B. I., and to whom I have transferred our scholarship. I hope to hear from her and from Dr. Hamilton by next week, in time to tell you something more about her. And in this connection, I want to tell you that this week I have been receiving money for our page causes. I am so glad, and am giving you the letters now.

Doris Mae sends her "Sunday egg" money, as she does regularly. She and her mother are partners in this giving. A birthday offering for her mother and sister comes from Pauline of Florence, and I am doing what she directs about it. Her school has already opened. Ray Eubanks writes a letter sending an offering for the orphans from her Sunday school class at Sylvaena. We are grateful for it. Mary Ruth, one of our band of Mary girls, is particular about paying her dues, which is a fine way to be. And besides, she sends another gift. Fannie Mae sends her regular monthly letter with her dues and is planning to go to the Coldwater Association. Mrs. Vinzant, who lives at Burns, sends a sweet letter and her birthday offering. The Bay Springs J. L. Club sends its dues through Nell Broom, and a cheerful letter, though they are losing some of their members.

Mrs. Dent Benson is so happy and thankful for the three-months old baby that they brought from Jackson to their home. Aren't you glad she is growing and getting on well? Mrs. Benson has the real mother's heart.

But I must stop now, with love to you every one.

Mrs. Lipsey

MAN WITH THE PALSY

Mt. 9; Mk. 2; Lk. 5

Jesus came again to Capernaum and was teaching and preaching, and great crowds gathered to hear him, the house was full and all around the doors were so many no one else could get in. But there was a man who had that dreaded disease Palsy. He had some good friends who were greatly interested in him, and they tried to find a way to get him in to where Jesus was, but could not. There were four of them and they tore up a place in the roof large enough to let down the man on his bed; they let him down to where Jesus stood, and when Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick man, "Son, thy sins be forgiven thee." But there were some who did not like this, so Jesus asked which was easier to say "Thy sins be forgiven thee or to say arise, take up thy bed and walk?" and then he saith to the sick man, "Arise, take up thy bed and walk." And he immediately took up his bed and went forth before them all. And they all wondered and glorified God.

What king's hand withered when he touched the altar?

Verse: "Thy sins be forgiven thee."

Mrs. Beulah Mayo.

Quincy, Miss.,
Sept. 14, 1936

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Our school will begin Sept. 21, and I will be glad to go to school

again.

You may use the 50 cents (Sunday egg money) for the B. B. I. fund if you want to.

With love,

Doris Mae Waycaster

Thank you, Doris Mae. I am pleased to use it for the B. B. I. girl who is now a new girl, to us, as you have noticed, Miss Mildred. We hope she will be a great source of pride to us, in her work. I trust you will have a fine year in school.

Florence, Miss.,
Sept. 15, 1936

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

It has been quite a while since I have written but I never miss a week reading all the letters, yours too, and Mrs. Mayo's Bible stories.

Mrs. Lipsey, my little sister and mother had a birthday: sister was 4 years old, mother 37, but I am sending a dollar—fifty cents for the orphan children, and fifty cents for Miss Mixon.

I am going to school now, so I will be busy studying. I am in the 7th grade.

Mr. J. W. Gilbert, if you see this, Papa Mullican hasn't any of his father's people here.

Well I will go. Don't forget to pray for me, Mrs. Lipsey.

Love,

Pauline Mullican

It's a good thing birthdays come around regularly, for they have caused you to write to us, Pauline. Also, we are grateful for the birthday money, and it shall be expended as you ask. Tell mother thank you, too.

Water Valley, Miss.,
Sept. 14, 1936.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Inclosed you will find a check for \$1.50 for the orphans from our Sunday school class at Sylvaena. We are going to school again. Our teacher is giving us a party Saturday night.

Yours truly,

Ray Eubanks

I'm glad you had time to think of and send this gift to the orphans, though school duties were on hand. Thank you and the class. Teachers are not all "hard-boiled eggs," are they?

Bay Springs, Miss.,
Sept. 11, 1936

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Since I did not write to you in August I am enclosing my August and September J. L. Club dues and \$1.00 extra for the B. B. I. girl. I will be glad when school starts. They haven't finished our building, so I don't guess school will start until October. My birthday is Oct. 3rd.

Love,

Mary Ruth Denson

You are doing your own writing, now, Mary Ruth, and doing it well, for a little girl. Dues for August and September might seem enough for one time to some people, but that "extra" goes mighty well with the dues. I thank you for them all.

Olive Branch, Miss.,
Sept. 15, 1936

Dear Mrs. Lips y:

I am going to school now. I ride two miles to and from school every day on a big school bus with thirty-five other children. I enjoy my ride. I am not going to school Wednesday. I am going to the Coldwater Baptist Association with grandmother, auntie and mother. And when I am eating dinner out under the trees, I'll just be thankful I'm there and not at school studying arithmetic, geography and English.

With love,

Fannie Mae Henley

Why, Fannie Mae! I was looking to hear you say you just could scarcely stand it to miss a day at school! Or, was I? I hope you had a happy time at the meeting of the association: you had mighty good company with you. And thank you for the dues.

Burns, Miss.,
Sept. 17, 1936

Enclosed you will find one dollar, my birthday offering. Seventy cents, my age in pennies, for the Orphanage, and the rest for the B. B. I. girl. I read with great interest, your page in the Record, (my daughter with whom I live is a subscriber) and I believe that through it, you are doing a great and needed work. Wishing you and Dr. Lipsey many years of continued usefulness, I am

Yours very sincerely,

Mrs. A. J. Vinzant

Dear Mrs. Vinzant, I wish I knew how to thank you for your words of appreciation, but while they warm my heart, I can only say, I am grateful, both for them and for the financial help. This is not your first gift: I am sure your name is on my book. Thank you, ma'am.

Bay Springs, Miss.,
Sept. 15, 1936

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

The months seem to roll by often when it comes to paying our dues. But we enjoy sending our payment. We are losing eight of our members. One has moved to Crosby and seven are being promoted to the Intermediate Department. We lose our president, pianist, two group captains and others. The rest of us will have to learn to work more, won't we? And we will draw from the Story Hour class.

We all send love,

Nell Broom

Yes, the time comes around pretty quickly, but you don't know anything about it yet. Every year, it moves more quickly, and for me, it only seems four months between Christmases! Thank you for the money and the letter. My love to you all.

Newhebron, Miss.,
Sept. 16, 1936

Enclosed find three dollars and a half. Two dollars is for the orphans, and a dollar and a half for a subscription to the Record.

Mrs. Lipsey, we went to Jackson in August, and got us the tiniest baby girl. She was three months old, but weighed only 6 pounds. O but we are proud of her! She weighs 8 1-2 pounds now. She is in good health. We do thank the Lord every day for her. We want her to grow up and be a help to others just like you, Mrs. Lipsey.

Thanking you again for giving Dr. Lipsey the subscription.

Your friend,

Mrs. Dent Benson

Will you forgive me for printing part of your letter, Mrs. Benson? It seemed so sweet about the dear baby, and your love for her. A baby is a real treasure, and we all should be grateful to God for them. I hope she keeps on growing. And thank you so much for the money so much needed. The subscription has been attended to, with pleasure.

SUMMER'S BLESSINGS

July, second Sunday, began with Ebenezer, the youngest church in the Tate County Association. Had fair crowds, good interest and four professions of faith, baptized four.

July, third Sunday, began with

Salem Church, Tate County Association, had fair crowds, no additions.

July, fourth Sunday, began at Tyro, Tate County Association, good interest, small congregations, meetings on every side, no additions.

August, first Sunday, began at New Hope, Lafayette Association, with brother J. B. Smith in charge of singing, good interest, large congregations, eleven professions of faith, baptized eleven.

Began meeting at Collierville, Tenn., our new home, on Wednesday night following second Sunday in August and ran through the next week. Great crowds from the very first. Had a great spiritual meeting, fifteen additions, ten for baptism.

Fourth Sunday in August found us with Grays Creek Church in Coldwater Association, fair congregations and two for baptism.

Closed the summer's work beginning the fifth Sunday in August with New Hope, Tate County Association, six professions and five baptized.

To God be the glory, the praise and all the honor.

Pray for us—all of you.

Yours for Christ,

H. J. Rushing

B. T. U. ATTENDANCE SEPT. 20

Jackson, First Church	96
Jackson, Calvary Church	126
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	211
Jackson, Parkway Church	30
Jackson, Northside Church	30
Laurel, First Church	111
Laurel, West Laurel Church	131
Springfield Church	52
Deemer Church	76

Blue Mountain. — Miss Elaine Coleman, West Point, has been elected president of the Eunomians to succeed Miss Alice Warren of Gates, Tennessee, who became the bride of Mr. Oliver Nunn last summer. Mrs. Nunn returned to Blue Mountain this week to participate in the annual rush and to work for the Eunomians.

Lola—I wonder why Edith has so many fellows dating her. She doesn't sing or play the piano, nor is she a brilliant talker.

Edgar—Perhaps that is the reason.

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The Nickel's Soliloquy

I am a nickel,
I'm too small to get in the movies,
I'm not large enough to buy a neck-
tie,
I'm of small consideration in the
purchase of gasoline,
I'm not fit to be a tip—BUT, be-
lieve me,
When I'm dropped in the collection
plate at church
I'M SOMEBODY. (So says who?)

Anchor, Lafayette County, Has Study Course

Anchor is a new church, just a
little over a year old. It is in La-
fayette County about eleven miles
south of Oxford and some seven
miles north of Water Valley. Soon
after organization a B. Y. P. U.
was organized and recently Mr.
Kermit R. Cofer, district president
for District Three, a busy lawyer of
Water Valley, taught a study
course for this splendid little group.
Mr. Cofer reports a good time and
successful course.

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Foreign Mission Boards but in form
that make it a good study course
book. They are only 20c each and
are to be had from the Baptist
Book Store, Jackson, Miss.

Results of Our Associational Offi- cers Meetings September 7-11

The program for September 7-11
in which we had fifteen leaders
holding conferences for our asso-
ciational officers when the Associa-
tional Manual was studied and
goals set for the coming several
months was carried out in a fine
way and with marked and satisfac-
tory results. We did not reach ev-
ery association, some were not or-
ganized, the time did not suit some,
and other reasons made it necessary
for us to miss some during that
week but we hope to reach them at
other times as soon as it can be ar-
ranged.

During the week several associa-
tional Training Unions were reor-
ganized. All reports have not been
sent in but from those that we have
received, about thirty, we have the
following report to make. Nearly
all set as their goal to have every
associational training union officer
complete the study of the Associa-
tional Training Union Manual be-
fore November 1st. October 1st was
the time set on the goal sheet but
some extended the time for their
association to November 1st. With
few exceptions the three suggested
meetings were accepted as goals
during the next quarter. Two-thirds
agreed to try to lead every union

in their association to have a study
course before the first of Novem-
ber, thus making their association
100 per cent in study course for
this convention year. Goals includ-
ed the organization of 131 new un-
ions before the first of the year.
The following chart is a copy of
the goal sheet used in the associa-
tions. The numbers suggesting
goals for new unions represents the
thirty associations thus far report-
ing. This was a great step forward
in our work and in the first week
in December these associations will
meet again in executive committee
meeting to check on their achieve-
ments for these three months and
to plan for the first quarter of 1937.

Goals Sheet

Making a Good Ready:

Every officer complete study of
Associational B. T. U. Manual,
either in class or home study, by
October 1st: Yes, (fill in yes or no).

Make survey of association send-
ing Auber J. Wilds, Oxford, Miss.,
correct mailing list of union, direc-
tors, B. A. U. presidents, Senior
counselor or president, Intermediate,
Junior and Story Hour leaders by
November 1st: Yes (fill in yes or
no).

Hold general Associational B. T.
U. meeting first Sunday in October,
or near then, beginning NOW to
plan program and advertise: Yes,
(yes or no).

Hold Leadership Conference in
November (see pages 71-72 in Man-
ual): Yes.

Hold officers' meeting such as
this tonight in December: Yes.

(It is suggested that all meetings
be held in central place each time.)

Doing the Work:

As far as possible, conduct a
study course for every union in the
association before November first
that has not had a study course
since Nov. 1, 1935. (October 31st
closes our State Convention year.)
We will recognize anyones work
who you secure to teach the course:
Yes. 2-3.

For each month as checked we
will make efforts to organize new
unions:

Baptist Adult Unions: September
11; October 10; November 9; De-
cember 5; Total 35.

Senior B. Y. P. U.'s: September
8; October 18; November 10; De-
cember 9; Total 42.

Intermediate B. Y. P. U.'s: Sep-
tember 4; October 7; November 4;
December 2; Total 17.

Junior B. Y. P. U.'s: September
4; October 14; November 5; Decem-
ber 2; Total 25.

Story Hours: September 2; Octob-
er 7; November 2; December 1;
Total 12.

(See pages 81-82 of Manual for
suggestions on organizing.)

(Every church should have a di-
rector even though they have only
one union.)

List below other extension work

planned. (See page 84 in the Man-
ual.)

COMMITTEE CORNER

For October 4

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE —
Secure the names of all those who
are being promoted and write each
one an invitation, or note of wel-
come into your B. Y. P. U.

Secretary—Have the names of
those being promoted already on
groups and committees; so that
they will immediately feel that they
are a part of the union into which
they go.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE—Of all
Sundays in the year this is the
Sunday for you to be on the job
welcoming the new members and
visitors. Make everyone feel at
home. Have the room arranged and
decorated before any of the others
arrive.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE — Be
sure that everyone knows his part,
if for no other reason than to set
a good example for those who have
just come into the union. Start the
new quarter off with a determina-
tion to have better programs.

Juniors: have your program in
the form of a class recitation at
school. With the group captain as
teacher, questions asked the differ-
ent ones on program will be ans-
wered by their parts. A school bell,
a map on the wall, etc., can be used
to create effect.

Intermediates: have for demon-
stration on a table at the front of
the room during the program: a
dress or coat merely cut out, not
stitched; a raw biscuit; a book with
the marker halfway of it; and a
poster (which may also be used by
the Membership Committee) show-
ing a race track with one racer
coming in home while the others
have fallen by the wayside at dif-
ferent places. Under the picture
print the words "What you start
toward a goal, how far do you go
before quitting?"

Seniors: make programs out of
construction paper cut in the shape
of swords; so that each one in the
room may have a sword to refer to
while you discuss "The Fight of
Faith."

INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE —
Juniors: For the memory drill, have
little fish cut out of paper, and ask
each one to write on his the mem-
ory verse. The fish should help him
remember. For the Bible quiz, have
the questions in a lunch box, some
on paper cut to represent an apple
or banana, and some on paper wrap-
ped in wax paper as sandwiches.
This will be in keeping with the
theme of the program about school.

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pains, get a bottle of Cardui at the
drug store and try it.

FROM BROTHER W. H. MORGAN

I keep constantly in mind the
happy fellowship I had for so many
years with the brotherhood in Mis-
sissippi in the work of the King-
dom. I shall not ever be removed
from that interest. There is a
marvelously fine spirit in our de-
nominational life in Mississippi, and
one who has ever shared in it is not
removed from it without a keen
sense of loss.

My work in South Carolina and
the opportunities it affords and the
heartiness with which I have been
received here, have kept me con-
stantly engaged and happily con-
tented for these first three months.
My duties with Coker College have
taken me practically over the en-
tire state, and often into other
states, and have allowed me to meet
a great many of the pastors. This
has given me great pleasure, and
the courtesies extended me by the
brethren have been unvarying. I
have attended a number of the
meetings of the associations. In
every instance the meetings were
of a high order and largely attend-
ed.

Coker College will have its form-
al opening tomorrow, September
15. The freshman class reported on
September 10. It is already consid-
erably larger in enrollment than
that of last year, and the total en-
rollment for the year will be larger
than for some years past.

I note with great pleasure in the
Record the progress of the Five
Thousand Club in Mississippi. I
send greetings to the brotherhood
and my good wishes for all the
work.

Yours fraternally,
W. H. Morgan

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SHORT HISTORY OF CRYSTAL SPRINGS METHODISM

by H. G. Hawkins

In the early period the Baptists became numerous in the County Line community three miles north of Crystal Springs; but the Methodists prevailed in the community two miles west of the present town. Even before the County of Copiah was organized in 1824, at a place rich in pure spring water they built a church and camp ground, and called them "Crystal Springs". Elisha Lott was probably the earliest Methodist preacher to hold services. In 1825 Pleasant Moore donated five acres as a site for a church, and 40 acres for a school. Before 1829 as a preaching point it was a part of Big Black Circuit; and at the Conference which met at Washington, Miss., Dec. 17, 1829, the name of the circuit was changed to "Crystal Springs", and William Redwine was appointed preacher in charge. During most of the time since 1829 the name appears in the annual list of appointments, either as circuit or station. Sometimes, however, the place was included in a circuit by another name, as from 1833 to 1838, when it was a part of the Raymond Circuit.

About 1853, Rev. Samuel L. L. Scott came here as a Methodist evangelist from New Jersey, and electrified the community. He later assisted in raising funds to build the first Methodist church in the present town of Crystal Springs. He introduced the first melodeon in this section, and it was used in the Methodist Sunday School. He was a musician, teacher, poet and singer, as well as preacher and lecturer. His grave, also that of Pleasant Moore, are in what is known now as "Old Crystal Springs Cemetery"; and in this well-kept place of the dead nearly every month some new grave is added. The old, but well preserved, church building close by is used for funerals and an occasional service of other kind.

In 1859 or 1860, after the railroad was built, and the present town of Crystal Springs founded, the Methodists erected in the town a building in accordance with the architecture of the period. This building served as a meeting place for 60 years, or until 1919, when the present brick structure was erected. It is of modern type, costing approximately \$40,000, and was the first church in Copiah County to conform to the present demands for separate Sunday School rooms, banquet hall, parlors, and other needs of the church of to-day. The fine-toned bell, restored to use several years ago, was part of the equipment of the 1860 building.

The following pastors since 1863 are listed: William Finn, G. J. Mortimer, J. W. McNeil, Thomas Nixon, B. B. Whittington, W. B. Hines, W. E. M. Linfield, H. J. Harris, W. E. Ballard, C. J. Nugent, A. M. Barrington, Ben Jones, J. L. Forsythe, B. Carradine, W. B. Lewis, T. B. Holloman, R. D. Norsworthy, M. L. Burton, C. A. Powell, R. J. Jones, L. Carley, Robt. Selby, H. W. Featherstun, J. W. Crisler, J. G. Galloway, B. F. Lewis, H. L. Norton, J. S. Purcell, W. B. Jones, G. H. Thompson,

J. A. Moore, L. E. Alford, J. E. Gray, J. L. Carter, H. G. Hawkins. Five sessions of the Mississippi Annual Conference have been held in Crystal Springs, 1864, 1870, 1882, 1922, presided over respectively by Bishops Paine, Doggett, Wilson, Galloway, Ainsworth.

At the session of the annual conference held in November, 1935, the total membership was reported as 543. The following form the present Board of Stewards: W. D. Ross, L. E. Grice, C. D. Barnes, A. D. Breland, E. F. Puckett, S. C. Wallace, L. M. Hamilton, P. K. Grice, W. D. Garland, Jno. C. Thomas, C. E. Saunders, G. W. Garrett, D. E. Bennett, T. F. Godwin, Frank Carney, D. R. Brewer, Earl Alford. There is also a Junior Board. P. K. Grice is Church School Superintendent, with J. G. Bennett secretary. Mrs. R. H. Jones is President of the Woman's Missionary Society. Miss Frances Bennett is Choir Leader, with Mrs. Robby Clyde Henry Pianist. Mrs. James Barron is President of the Epworth League. The Church School is organized into adult, young people, and children's divisions, with classes according to age in each division. Two superannuate members of the Mississippi Conference, Revs. C. C. Griffin and J. G. Galloway, have resided in Crystal Springs for several years.

The Hennington Campground, near Crystal Springs, now no longer used as such, was for several decades a meeting place where large audiences assembled to hear leading pulpit orators. The tabernacle still stands, with Chautauqua Lake close by.

HISTORY OF TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF CRYSTAL SPRINGS, MISS.

by Mrs. Conway Dabney

After the War a lot was purchased, a church built in Crystal Springs and a rector called in 1869, The Rev. David Gunn.

In 1884 the congregation suffered the loss of their church by a cyclone and for the next three or four years the members were without a church but the church register shows the Baptisms and church services were held in the Methodist church here, which was tendered for our use.

In reading over the early history of Trinity Episcopal Church, the records of the early days of the church are somewhat meagre. The church membership has always been small, but the outstanding feature all through the years was, "Though few in number, yet always faithful in duty," and it seemed that "courage mounteth with occasion."

The present church building was erected sometime between the years 1882-1885, the first Baptism recorded in the present church was in September, 1885, the first wedding in 1886. The lot upon which the church stands was a gift of the late Col. K. D. Nicholson of Scotland. The present church rectory was built by Rev. Chas. M. Bovill.

Some of the illustrious clergymen of the church have lived in Crystal Springs; among them being the Reverends Wallace Camahan, Henry Forrester, W. K. Douglass, Wm. Henry Capers, H. H. Messenger,

HOW CRYSTAL SPRINGS ATTAINED THE PLACE OF LEADERSHIP IN THE VEGETABLE SHIPPING INDUSTRY

Prior to 1818 the Crystal Springs area was occupied by Indians who roamed the thickly forested hills and valleys. After this date, white settlers began to trickle in from Georgia and the Carolinas, clear small tracks of land, build log huts, and cultivate meagre crops.

Up until 1850, the only occupation in this area was that of general agriculture. The "gold apple", or tomato, a specie of the night-shade, was thought to be poisonous and was cultivated in a few gardens only as an ornamental plant. To-day the tomato ranks third among vegetable crops in acreage and in money value. Its popularity has grown until it is used in one-hundred and fifteen forms.

The Italians were the first Europeans to recognize the food value of the tomato after it was carried across the seas by Spanish conquerors.

For sixty years growers have carried on in an industry here that had its beginning in a package of tomato seeds secured from Italy by the first grower of tomatoes in Mississippi.

In the ten years following the Civil War, it was found that vegetables of all kinds grew well in South Mississippi. From this time the trucking industry claimed more and more attention until almost every farmer within reach of Crystal Springs became a truck-grower.

Shipping was begun in 1878 when a few men in our vicinity began packing their vegetables and sending to northern markets. Four years later the first car of Mississippi tomatoes was shipped to Denver by Lotterhos and Huber of Crystal Springs. The returns being satisfactory, impetus was given to the business.

Until 1908, the State vegetable industry was confined practically to Crystal Springs and Gallman, four miles south; but when, in 1909, the boll weevil appeared, the tomato business spread rapidly through Copiah County and the southern part of Hinds. Hence, Crystal Springs now ships only about 40 per cent of the total output from all Mississippi points.

Thirty-one years ago more than half of the total acreage of truck in the Mississippi Valley was located within a radius of seven miles of our town; and it enjoyed not only the distinction of having the large-

Gordon Smeade, F. M. Brazier.

In 1924 this Mission was added to the Brookhaven Field. This congregation has never ceased to function. There has always been a Sunday School and a Ladies Guild.

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est acreage of truck in the valley, but it also was the largest shipping point for the shipment of vegetables in the entire South.

The industry had grown from the planting of one-third of an acre by the first grower to the planting of 10,600 acres by hundreds of growers today. It has increased from the shipping of a few packages by express back in the '70s to more than 100 cars a day on peak days at Crystal Springs. It has expanded from the shipping of one car in 1882 to the shipping of 2,528 cars from this town in 1936. In addition to this, it is conservatively estimated that 300 cars of vegetables go from this place each year in auto trucks.

The value of these vegetables—tomatoes, cabbage, beans, peas, beets, carrots, and peppers—one year with another is estimated at from \$350 to \$700 a car, owing to the vegetable and the market. The average per car is about \$500. On this basis, the 1936 crop shipped from Crystal Springs by train and truck reaches the enormous sum of \$1,444,000. Estimating on the same basis, the average shipments from this one point for the past ten years, these crops have brought in to the truckers of Crystal Springs a gross return of \$1,250,000 each year, or \$12,500,000 for the ten year period.

Truly the tomato is the Queen of Vegetables in Mississippi and it has proven to be the "gold apple," indeed, for Crystal Springs and for many other sections.

The above figures were secured from reliable truck shippers and growers; from transportation records; and from the graduating thesis of Miss Myrtle Hampton, of Crystal Springs, for an M. A. degree from Peabody College this summer, which treatise has been approved and is to appear in book form. T. W. T.

Blue Mountain.—The scholarship trophy, given for the highest average number of honor points, was awarded to the Eunomians by President Lawrence T. Lowrey at today's assembly of Blue Mountain College. President Lowrey also awarded letters for excellency in aquatic achievement to Clara Mowen, Memphis, Tennessee; Rebecca Wilkins, Duck Hill, and Mary Frances Skilton, Chattanooga, Tennessee, Euzelians. The letter for excelling in golf was awarded Georgia Mae Ogburn, Meridian, who is a Eunomian.

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CIVIC AND FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS AT CRYSTAL SPRINGS

The town of Crystal Springs offers many attractions to its citizens, not the least of which, are its many civic, social and fraternal organizations.

One of the oldest of her civic clubs is the Floral Club, organized in 1894 and still most active. In the past, its members grew the largest and most beautifully colored Chrysanthemums ever put on exhibition in this state. The present membership is large, and their programs are devoted to Home, Literature, Art, Music and Citizenship. Mrs. Otho Messer is the newly elected president.

The U. D. C. is another organization of long standing and numerous civic improvements have been made by this group during its years of service. Mrs. T. F. Godwin is the president this year.

The D. A. R., is most active, Miss Mary Thomas, one of our teachers, is the present Regent. Recently this body placed markers at the graves of Revolutionary Veterans. Also a beautiful silk flag was presented to the school by this patriotic organization.

The Chamber of Commerce is keenly alive to the needs of our city, and is being ably led by Dr. Otho Messer. Recently this group successfully engineered the establishment of a garment factory here, which means a weekly payroll for some 250 employees.

One of the newest of our organizations is that of the Lions Club—a large number of loyal members, with Mr. William Carmichael as president, are most active. This club sponsors the local Boy Scouts.

The American Legion has the largest membership in years, and they have a worthwhile program of Americanism and Child Welfare activities, and are being ably assisted by the Auxiliary of Hilton-Cottingham Post No. 41. These organizations are led by Commander and Mrs. Henry Holt, Jr. Recently signs have been placed on the streets in the interest of safety, by the Legion. The boating and fishing privileges of Lake Chautauqua are controlled also by this organization.

Crystal Springs has been very much interested in P. T. A. work since 1909 when the Mississippi branch of the Congress of Mothers and Parent Teachers Association was organized here with the 1910 and 1911 meetings also being held here during the summer Chautauqua.

With our large consolidated school of around 1300 students, there are numerous opportunities for work and a full year is ahead of us, under the capable leadership of Mrs. E. E. Clower. The membership drive is being pushed just now. Last spring a MacDowell Music Club was organized by Mrs. Glen Roll and the work for a new year is just getting started.

The fraternal organizations of our town are the Masonic Order and the Eastern Star. A beautiful Masonic Hall is located in the central part of town, and meetings are held regularly.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

From its inception the Chamber of Commerce of this city has been interested in better social, civic, and commercial conditions.

In our meetings we have endeavored to have full and free discussions of matters of public interest—always trying to visualize and work toward a better and more prosperous community. It has been our aim not to supplant or dictate to any other organization, but to try to cooperate with civic and social clubs in building a better Crystal Springs.

In a meeting in the early spring One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) was pledged to be used in assisting farmers who want an opportunity to start a dairy farm. This money is used as a rotative fund and has been of great benefit to some up to date, with a splendid outlook for the future. If the plan works as we anticipate we hope to buy pigs for the Future Farmers Organization at an early date.

Another achievement of which we are proud is the designating of the Community Road from Crystal Springs to Utica as a State Highway.

For the past few months, Committees have been busy working with the Crystal Springs Shirt Corporation. The building has been completed and several employees are now working.

A number of Government Projects have been successfully carried to completion by our Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen. Paving of Streets and improvements in a general way demonstrate the ability and aggressiveness of Mayor Brent and the Aldermen.

The community is also proud of the W. H. Russum Subdivision which adds to the growth and improvement of our city.

More cotton will be ginned and sold here this year than has been in the past several years. While our main crop is vegetables, the cotton crop this year has helped business conditions remarkably.

We have not interested ourselves so much with the growth of the City as we have with working to give better opportunities to our present citizens. When Crystal Springs can offer an opportunity to boys and girls who graduate from High School and College equal to the one they now seek elsewhere, when all our labor can exchange an honest day's work for an honest pay, when our farmers can exchange their surplus produce for a bank account, when business is good, and when the Government looks to people and not our people to the Government for support, then we shall feel that the Chamber of Commerce has been rewarded for its efforts.

Dr. Otho Messer, Pres.

The lodge is one of the oldest in the state. Mr. L. M. Smith is worshipful Master this year.

The Eastern Star has been in existence for more than thirty years and is Chapter No. 9. Nearly one hundred members this year, have as their Worthy Matron, Mrs. L. M. Smith.

Mrs. Cecil Pritchard.

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This Chamber of Commerce had a very large part in securing the shirt factory.

T. W. T.

The following was Clipped from THE METEOR, Crystal Springs paper, Friday, April 17, 1936.

LARGE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS AT CRYSTAL SPRINGS

Berean Bible Class Enjoyed Banquet

On Thursday evening, April 9, the Berean Class of the First Baptist Church Sunday School gathered in the basement of the church building for its annual banquet. Charter members claim this to be the best entertainment in all the fifteen years of the class' history.

The decorations of ferns, wild vines and red roses were very tastefully arranged by Mrs. Josie Roberson and her helpers.

P. L. Biggs, Class President, was master of ceremonies and added to his many other duties that of giving the welcome address, to which Mrs. Talkington, Class Teacher, responded.

Short talks were made by Dr. T. W. Talkington, Pastor of the church, Lon Barlow, Bob Slay and Yon Barlow.

Music was furnished by the Copiah-Lincoln College girls' quartet, Miss Weneva Summer's orchestra and Mrs. Lillian Cook's High School Chorus. Also, a very beautiful and appropriate vocal solo was rendered by Mrs. Jesse Leach.

The main address of the evening was delivered by Mayor W. A. Scott of Jackson—an old home town boy. Both his address and the introductory talk by Mayor Brent were greatly enjoyed.

One of the high spots of the evening was the "eating of the beans" by E. L. Gullledge and his group captains who had been on the losing side of the recently closed enlargement campaign.

Much credit for the success of the program is due to the committee on arrangements, Lon Barlow, O. A. Cox, Bob Slay and E. L. Gullledge.

The delicious menu, which was served to about one hundred and twenty people was very graciously and kindly prepared by Mrs. A. S. Thomas and her corps of faithful helpers.

This class of eighty business men has recently reached the Standard of Excellence an accomplishment that comparatively few adult Sunday School classes attain.

Mrs. T. W. Talkington, Teacher.



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CRYSTAL SPRINGS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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The Crystal Springs Presbyterian Church was organized April 28, 1865. The Charter members were Mr. Julius Alford, Mesdames Emma C. Osborn, M. E. Newton, S. M. Newton, Mary Lotterhos, Magdalena Huber, Maria E. Appel, and A. P. Newton. The first elder and clerk of the session was Mr. Julius Alford.

Pastors have served as follows:

The Revs. M. W. Trawick—1865-1873

George S. Roudebush—1873-1876

C. A. Monroe—1877-1882

G. W. Patterson—1889

S. C. Caldwell—1889-1906

H. W. Wallace—1908-1913

J. M. Williams—1913-1922

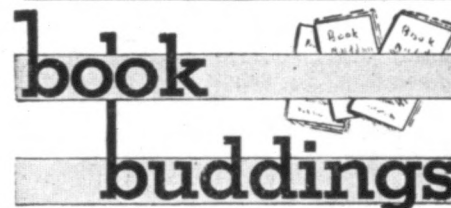
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J. M. Williams—1927-

The first building was dedicated May 1, 1870, and was used for worship until it was burned on November 9, 1924. The present edifice was completed May 26, 1926.

The Sunday School was organized in 1870. There have been but two superintendents all these years: Mr. J. M. Newton and Mr. A. Lotterhos. Mr. A. Lotterhos has been Elder for 58 years, and Mr. J. A. Smylie Elder for 27 years. The latter has been Clerk of the Session for many years.

The present membership of this Church is 110.



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BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE OPENS

Blue Mountain, Miss., Sept. 17.—With President Lawrence T. Lowrey presiding, the sixty-fourth annual session of Blue Mountain College opened this morning with prayer by Dr. J. S. Riser, pastor of the Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church. The auditorium was filled with faculty, students, and visitors. President J. E. Brown of Mississippi Heights Academy and his entire student body were present also. President Lowrey welcomed the new students and the new faculty members. He introduced Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, head of the department of Bible, and Mrs. Tyler; Dr. Esther Handcock, the new college physician and instructor in bacteriology and hygiene; Miss Jennie Lee Hunt, Silver City, New Mexico, B. M. C. '36, assistant Registrar and secretary to the Dean; Miss Martha Biggam, Sumner, B. M. C. '36, assistant to the Dean of Students; Miss Natalie Purdom, of Georgia, assistant professor of music; and Dr. Charles D. Johnson, Dean of the college, and Mrs. Johnson.

Dr. Charles D. Johnson made the opening address and took as his subject "Blue Mountain College and Modern Woman". He pointed out the fact that General Robert E. Lee, after returning from the Civil War, established Washington College, which later became known as Washington and Lee University, and that General Mark Perrin Lowrey, another Confederate general, founded

Blue Mountain College which has become a cradle of southern culture. Dr. Johnson pointed out the enlarged opportunities and the varied spheres of opportunities available to the modern woman and showed how Blue Mountain College is enabling women to avail themselves of them. Dr. Johnson paid high tribute to President Lowrey, his collegemate in Mississippi College, and to Mrs. Modena Lowrey Berry.

Dr. Lowrey read a telegram of greetings and wishes for success from Mrs. May Gardner Black, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, president of the National Blue Mountain College Alumnae Association.

Announcement was made that in the evening the Baptist Student Union would give a social for the students and faculty.

At the close of the exercises, Dr. J. S. Riser, pastor of the Baptist Church, and Reverend W. R. Liming, pastor of the Methodist church, extended greetings to the students and invitations for them to attend their respective churches. Dr. Riser announced that 118 students attended the first prayer meeting held after their arrival. He further announced next Sunday to be Church Relations Sunday, when most of the Baptist students would transfer their church memberships from their home churches to the church at Blue Mountain.

Miss Tom Womack

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BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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retary, with the book of Philippians as the subject of study. The themes for morning watch, which was led daily by members of the council, were: Looking Unto Jesus as the Satisfier, As the Deliverer, and As the Goal. An inspirational service was held on Sunday afternoon, during which time Dr. Lowrey and Dr. Riser spoke to the council members concerning this year's work. Dr. W. C. Tyler, new professor of the Bible department, and Mrs. Tyler, were also welcomed into the activities of the B. S. U. council. The B. S. U. song for the year will be "Fix Your Eyes Upon Jesus." The council hopes that this year may be a very profitable one in the Master's service on our campus.

Eileen Stubblefield,
Reporter

ONE-DAY RETREAT HELD BY OLE MISS B.S.U. COUNCIL

A one-day retreat to prepare for work with the Ole Miss Baptist students during the 1936-37 session was held Tuesday, September 17, by the B. S. U. council, an organization composed of ten Ole Miss students active in church work, at Bay Springs near Oxford.

The council is headed by Billy Dan Statham, president. Other student members are: J. A. Parker, first vice-president and enlistment chairman; Lucy Lott Hathorn, second vice-president and director of social activities; Bruce Aultman and

Jewell Varner, devotional leaders; Jerome Maxwell, secretary; George Thomas and Bessie Short, Baptist Training Union representatives; Edward Izard and Mariette McDonald, Sunday school representatives; and Tillis Hill, reporter.

Miss Marian Leavell, Baptist student secretary, who directed the retreat, reports it a success from both a business and social standpoint.

"The council," said Miss Leavell, "made definite plans to contact each Baptist student during the next month, urging each to attend the Baptist church services and to join in the local church work. In addition it adopted the Friend X plan, whereby each Baptist freshman and transfer is to have for an unknown friend some woman member of the Baptist church, who will write friendly letters or send a gift during a period of three weeks in an attempt to make the new student feel at home."

Miss Leavell added that following the church services on next Sunday, September 20, there will be an informal social hour for all Baptist students, during which the freshmen and transfers will have an opportunity to meet both the young and older members of the church and fellow Baptist students.

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The success of the Five Thousand Club is now also in the hands of the pastors. They should explain it to their people and urge them to help.

The success of the Five Thousand Club is now also in the hands of the individual Baptists of Mississippi. If you have not joined, seek one of the **WORKERS** in your Association and give him or her a signed membership card.

Let's try to finish the job by September 29th. **WORKERS** mail to Dr. Gunter the last one of your **TEN MEMBERSHIPS** by September 30th.

Christ paid our debt on the Cross. Let us show our appreciation by wiping out the debt on His work in Mississippi.

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